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NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

One of the primary objectives of the Tiffany Club is to aid in the development and effectiveness of non-profit organizations serving the CD/TS/AN Community, and the development of Information Distribution Centers throughout the world.

The primary objective of the TV/TS Tapestry is to provide an information source and communications link between these organizations and distribution centers.

For these reasons the Tiffany Club and the TV/TS Tapestry work cooperatively with and in support of the following organizations:

(SERVICE) The Outreach Institute, Renaissance, Confide, Janus Information Facility, FACT, Metamorphosis.
(SOCIAL) Gateway Gender Alliance and its Chapters, Society for the Second Self and its Chapters, Shangri La and its Chapters, Mayflower Society, Halcyon Society, Harriet Lane's TV Set, XX Club, Albany TVIC, Better Living Institute, Sue Hall, Fantasies In Lace, Paradise Club, Crossroads Chapter, Upper Midwest TV Network, Mountain Rose Society, CHIC, Thursday Irregulars, TAMS (Canada), Beaumont Society (England), Elizabeth Club (Japan)

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ORGANIZATIONS

NON—PROFIT SERVICE

THE HUMAN OUTREACH and ACHIEVEMENT INSTITUTE P.O. Box 368 Kenmore Station, Boston MA 02215

Nature: The Outreach Institute is a non-profit corporation whose purposes and objectives are educational. Outreach works predominantly with Helping Professionals from the fields of Education, Guidance & Counseling, Therapy, Medicine, Law & Law Enforcement, Nursing and Human Services.

Services: Outreach's programs include OPERN (Outreach Professional Evaluation and Referral Network), seminars & workshops, a newsletter, Fantasia Fair (a living/learning growth experience for crossdressers, transsexuals and androgynes both male and female), and a book and publication service. (Outreach's catalog of books and reprints is available for $3.00)

Security: Outreach's programs are strictly non-sexual and sophisticated. All participants at any Outreach program are expected to act accordingly.

CONFIDE - PERSONAL COUNSELING SERVICES INC. Box 56, Tappen NY 10983, 914-359-8860 or 914-997-1013, offices in Tappan NY and Hartsdale NY

Nature: Confide runs a therapy group in Tappan, comprising transsexuals, transvestites and persons who are trying to find themselves on the gender spectrum.

Services: Confide is a private service offering counseling, therapy, hypnosis and hypnotherapy, with a large proportion of our practice dealing with gender problems. Private therapy sessions are held with Garrett Oppenheim, Ph.D., F.I.C., the director, while Fae Robin, the co-director, offers coaching in grooming, manners, poise, makeup, shopping, etc. Dr. Oppenheim evaluates candidates for hormone therapy and sex-reassignment surgery and makes referrals at the appropriate time.

Security: Membership in the group is contingent on a 1½ hour screening session with Dr. Oppenheim.

RENAISSANCE GENDER IDENTITY SERVICES P.O. Box 11341, Santa Ana CA 92711 714-836-1803

Nature: Renaissance is a referral, information, educational and support service for crossdressers, transsexual persons, and other lifestyle groups.

Services: Renaissance Update (a quarterly newsletter), research library, educational services, lecture bureau, professional and peer counseling services, and a hotline and referral service with local and nationwide referrals.

Security: Membership is open to all sincere, interested persons.

JANUS INFORMATION FACILITY 1952 Union St., San Francisco CA 94088 408-678-0609

JANUS provides a general basic information package in printed form for the transsexual. A $25 donation is requested.

NON—PROFIT SOCIAL

INTERNATIONAL

TIFFANY CLUB P.O. Box 19, Wayland Ma 01778 617-358-5575

Nature: The Tiffany Club is a non-profit non-sexual social/educational organization for persons interested in crossdressing, for transsexual persons, for relatives and friends. Tiffany has an international membership in excess of 400, welcomes all mature and responsible persons, and emphasizes friendship, support, good manners, common sense, and the security and peace-of-mind of all. Tiffany also works cooperatively with and in support of all non-profit organizations and services working on behalf of the TV/TS Community.

Services: The Tiffany Club publishes the TV/TS Tapestry. (The Tapestry is a magazine designed to be the communications link between the non-profit organizations, services, and information distribution centers serving the TV/TS Community. It contains articles, referrals, club reports, coming events and personal listings.) Tiffany also maintains a private facility near Boston (providing privacy, storage, a library, boutique, overnight accomodations and a hostelry for qualified travelers), and a balanced program of social and educational activities (casual get-togethers, parties, beauty courses, nights on the town, vacations, etc.). Tiffany also maintains a support group for transsexuals, a support distribution and referrals.

Security: Tiffany places no security precautions on people who wish to subscribe to the Tapestry. However, if a person wishes to use Tiffany's facilities or attend a Tiffany function, that person must have met with and been cleared by a member of Tiffany's Screening Committee, or have a letter of introduction from a qualified person to ensure the attendee understands Tiffany's objectives and will comply with Tiffany's security requirements and code of conduct.

GATEWAY GENDER ALLIANCE P.O. Box 62283, Sunnyvale Ca 94088 408-734-3773 after 6pm (PST)

Nature: GGA is a non-profit non-sexual organization for the male-to-female and female-to-male crossdresser and transsexual, and supportive friends. GGA has chapters in several areas of the U.S. and Canada, but does not require that members of a local chapter be members of the national organization. Membership must be open to all crossdressers and transsexuals, both male-to-female and female-to-male, regardless of their sexual preferences, practices or orientation.

Services: GGA provides a correspondence directory, identification card, a monthly magazine (The Phoenix), peer counseling, a hot line, and chapters throughout the U.S. and Canada. The chapters are:

San Francisco Chapter
P.O. Box 62283
Sunnyvale Ca 94088

San Jose Chapter
P.O. Box 62283
Sunnyvale Ca 94088

Santa Rosa Chapter
(707) 575-1967

Capitol Chapter
(DC-Baltimore Area)
P.O. Box 218
Burtonsville Md 20730

Success Chapter
P.O. Box 1601
Pinellas Park, Fl 33565

Windy City Chapter
Box 2312
Chicago Il 60690

New York City Chapter
Suite 601
157 W 57th St.
New York, NY 10019

Northwest Chapter
P.O. Box 13173
Portland Or 97213

PI Chapter
(Pittsburgh area)
P.O. Box 576
Export Pa 15632

PGH Chapter
P.O. Box 16080
Pittsburgh Pa 15242

PHI Chapter
(Philadelphia area)
P.O. Box 322
Collingswood NJ 08108

NEPA-GGA
(Northeast Pa.)
c/o Kathy Hivish
P.O. Box 268
Dallas Pa 18612

NU Chapter
(Northern NJ)
P.O. Box 9034
Morristown NJ 07960

Galveston/Houston Chapter
(713) 763-6227

Delta Chi Chapter
P.O. Box 11254
Lincolnia Sta
Alexandra Va 22312

Hampton Roads Chapter
S-180, P.O. Box 2400
Virginia Beach Va 23452

Vancouver Chapter
2073-B E 27th Ave.
Vancouver BC V5N 2W7

Toronto Chapter
(416) 298-7540

Security: Security is the responsibility of the local chapters. Usually the requirement is a meeting with the chapter president prior to coming to a meeting to ensure understanding of GGA objectives and code of conduct.

SOCIETY FOR THE SECOND SELF P.O. Box 194, Tulare Ca 93275

Nature: Tri Ess is a non-profit organization exclusively for heterosexual crossdressers.

Services: Tri Ess provides a correspondance directory, a directory of commercial services, a magazine (The Femme Mirror), and chapters throughout the U.S. Chapters include:

Alpha Chapter
(Los Angeles)
c/o Carol Beecroft
P.O. Box 194
Tulare Ca 93275

Dallas Chapter (Texas)
Maxine McDonald
P.O. Box 31171
Dallas TX 75231

Sigma Delta Chapter
(San Francisco)
c/o Carol Beecroft
P.O. Box 194
Tulare Ca 93275

CHI DELTA MU Chapter
(NY, NJ, Ct)
Mr. M. J. Moran
P.O. Box 4988
Poughkeepsie NY 12602

CHI Chapter (Chicago)
Mary Ann Broer
P.O. Box 2055
Des Plaines Il 60018

Security: Membership is open to heterosexual TVs only. Membership in Attendance at a local chapter meeting requires an interview with the chapter president or older member to insure they are heterosexual and will comply with Tri Ess' code of conduct.

SHANGRI LA Nancy Watson, P.O. Box 18202, Irvine Ca 92713

Nature: Shangri La is a non-profit organization for advanced crossdressers (those who can pass in public easily). Shangri La places emphasis on friendship and security.

Services: Shangri La provides a bi-monthly newsletter (Le Femme), membership directory, identification card, free mail forwarding, reduced rate invitation to regional events, commercial services directory, and a manual on how to form local chapters. Shangri La sponsors three major events, the 5 day Spring Shangri La (Biloxi), June Shangri La (Southern Cal.), and Summer Shangri La (August, in S. Cal.). Shangri La has local chapters throughout the U.S.: Los Angeles/Orange County Chapter, San Diego/Oceanside Chapter, San Antonio/Houston Chapter, Dallas/Ft. Worth Chapter, Mobil (Ala.) Chapter, Chicago Chapter, and St. Louis Chapter.

Security: Prospective members are interviewed by Nancy Watson or officers of the local chapters.

REGIONAL

NORTHEAST

HALCYON SOCIETY OF RHODE ISLAND P.O. Box 143, North Kingston RI 02852

Nature: Halcyon is a friendship and support group for persons from the Rhode Island area interested in "tasteful" crossdressing. Although affiliated with Tiffany Club, we are basically a 'neighborhood' group and work accordingly.

Services: Halcyon provides informal get-togethers twice a month allowing people a chance to meet with friends who understand the needs of people inclined to crossdress. Periodic newsletter, membership rumpus room and whatever activities planned by the membership at large.

Security: Only written inquiries are accepted. Once received and evaluated a standard information package is sent out along with an arranged meeting with someone already in membership. If the person making the inquiry appears to fit our standards, he/she is invited to attend a Society function. If the person's actions and deeds are consistent, the person is invited by the entire membership to join our ranks. Common sense prevails.

MAYFLOWER SOCIETY P.O. Box 66, Allston Ma 02134 617-254-7389

Nature: Mayflower is a membership organization open to TVs, friends and relatives. The approximately 20 members consist of some who are heterosexual, bisexual, some submissive, B&D, etc. Care is taken that broader interests are not imposed on those who do not wish to participate. Supportive environment emphasizing respect for the individual and security for all.

Services: Mayflower maintains an apartment with a library, private mail boxes, storage, casual get-togethers once a week, and parties once a month.

Security: A candidate for membership must meet with Kay Campbell or Neil Moses prior to joining. Write: Neil Moses, Secretary Mayflower Society, P.O. Box 66, Allston Ma 02134, or call: Kay Campbell (evenings or weekends) or Neil Moses (5-6 weekdays) 617-254-7389

THE XX (TWENTY) CLUB P.O. Box 6070 Station "a" Hartford Ct. 06106 (Information, George W. Henry Foundation 203-522-2646)

Nature: The XX Club is a non-profit, non-sexual, social-educational-medical-outreach organization for persons interested in transsexualism. Friends and relatives are also welcomed, as are all those interested or involved with the crossdressing community.

Services: The XX Club has a monthly newsletter, and holds 2 meetings each month (the 2nd and 4th Saturday). The meetings include educational and medical programs, outreach work and information distribution. We also have social get-togethers, club parties, etc.

Security: We place no security precautions on people who wish to subscribe to our newsletter. However if an individual wishes to attend our meetings, that person must meet and be cleared by a member of our screening committee, or have a letter of introduction from a qualified person to ensure that the attendee understands the XX Club's objectives and goals and that the individual will comply with security requirements and code of conduct. We request that all who attend our functions or meetings respect our anonymity.

HARRIET LANE'S TV SET Contact: Harriet Lane, Box 2 Yalesville Sta., Wallingford Ct 06492 203-388-1166

Nature: Harriet Lane's is a social club with an emphasis on simply having a good time. All people interested in crossdressing are welcome, regardless of their personal orientation.

Services: One non-sexual, and one anything goes party each month.

Security: It is expected all participants will protect the security of others, and respect their preferences.

ALBANY TVIC Contact: William Thordsen, 1104 Broadway, Albany NY 12204 518-434-8806

Nature: TVIC is a non-profit non-sexual social organization with an open membership policy. TVIC makes a special point of encouraging wives. TVIC has a membership in excess of 500
Services: TVIC provides a monthly newsletter (TVIC Journal), a library, and monthly dinner parties.
Security: TVIC places an emphasis on friendship, good manners and common sense. Screening is done by the President of TVIC, and qualified members.

THE BETTER LIVING INSTITUTE C/O Joyce Dewhurst, P.O. Box 296 Elm "A" Station, Flushing NY 11380

Nature: The BLI is a non-profit non-sexual social organization for novice and accomplished crossdressers. The emphasis is on novice crossdressers. Most programs are geared for the novice. Accomplished crossdressers serve as our staff at meetings. The BLI is an educational arm of Joyce Dewhurst Parties. It however is a completely separate entity. Both are separate and distinct.
Services: The BLI provides very informal get-togethers, beauty courses and a variety of social and educational events. All are held in first class rented halls.
Security: No screening or security requirements. If, however, you do not meet our very liberal standards you will be so advised. This has happened only four times in five years.

JOYCE DEWHURST P.O. Box 296 Elm "A" Station, Flushing NY 11380

Nature: Strictly social. Open to anyone interested in the crossdressing scene.
Services: Joyce Dewhurst sponsers frequent parties and debutant balls in NYC, and weekend outings to the Poconos in May and September.
Security: No screening or security requirements.

NYC GGA CHAPTER Muriel Olive, 157 W 57th St., Suite 601, NYC NY 10019 212-582-6823

Nature: See 'Gateway Gender Alliance'
Services: Get-togethers the 3rd Saturday of each month.
Security: Meeting with the Chapter President.

CHI DELTA MU CHAPTER (TRI ESS) Mr. M.J. Moran, P.O. Box 4988, Poughkeepsie NY 12602

Nature: See 'Society for the Second Self".
Services: Get-togethers the 2nd Saturday of each month in either Northern New Jersey or Southern Westchester County NY. Very interested in attracting wives and girl friends. We have 27 paid members, and have been in existence for over one year.
Security: Private interview with Chapter President or qualified member.

NU CHAPTER (GGA) P.O. Box 9034, Morristown NJ 07960 201-925-6067 (2-7pm), 201-540-0042 (after 6pm) ask for Jim.

Nature: See 'Gateway Gender Alliance'.
Services: Get-togethers 1st Saturday of each month.
Security: Private interview with Chapter President.

PHI CHAPTER (GGA) Michelle Williams, P.O. Box 322, Collingswood NJ 08108

Nature: See 'Gateway Gender Alliance'.
Services: Get-togethers 4th Saturday of each month.
Security: Private interview with Chapter President.

SUE HALL ENTERPRISES P.O. Box 74, Changewater NJ 07831

Nature: For TV Swingers.
Services: Sue Hall publishes 'The Mini-Skirt News' (a newsletter for TV Swingers with a readership in excess of 1700), has in-house parties every Monday, and has a commercial boutique.
Security: No particular security requirements, but dangerous or irresponsible people are not welcome.

DALLAS CHAPTER (GGA) contact: Kathy Hivish, P.O. Box 268, Dallas Pa 18612, 717-675-2585 weekdays 5 to 10pm, weekends 10 to 10

Nature: See 'Gateway Gender Alliance".
Services: Publishes a monthly newsletter featuring Chapter news, other regional para-culture events, reprints of clippings from newspapers, etc; meetings feature speakers on topics relative to our para-culture; referrals in N.E. Pa. to understanding businesses and professionals; wife is willing to write or talk to other wives.
Security: Private interview with Chapter President.

MID-ATLANTIC, SOUTHEAST

DC CHAPTER GGA contact: Sandy Machin, P.O. Box 11254, Lincolnia Station, Alexandria Va 22312

Nature: See 'Gateway Gender Alliance'.
Services: Get-togethers 1st Saturday of each month, educational programs and referrals.
Security: Private interview with Chapter President.

CAPITOL CHAPTER GGA contact: Lisa Rouse, P.O. Box 218, Burtonsville Md 20720

Nature: See 'Gateway Gender Alliance'.
Services: Get-togethers the 4th Saturday of each month.
Security: Private interview with chapter president.

ACADEMY AWARDS Mr. Carl Rizzi, 1014 S. Quebec St. A-9, Arlington Va 22204

Nature: Drag-Gay, with an emphasis on the performing arts.

SUCCESS CHAPTER GGA contact: Susan Armstrong, P.O. Box 1601, Pinellas Park Fl 33656

Nature: See 'Gateway Gender Alliance'.
Services: Set-togethers the 2nd Saturday of each odd numbered month. Success also sponsers the Daytona Beach Weekend held each October.
Security: Private interview with Chapter President.

MIDWEST, SOUTH CENTRAL

PARADISE CLUB P.O. Box 24363, Cleveland Oh 44124

Nature: Paradise is a non-profit non-sexual social organization with an emphasis on friendship and support (especially for wives). Paradise has approximately 60 members with an average of 30+ in attendance at each meeting.
Services: Paradise publishes a newsletter (Paradise Tales), and every other month sponsers a meeting with a

catered dinner, and usually a special function such as a speaker, make-up advice, a show, etc.

Security: New contacts must be sponsered by a member, but non-members may attend. Sexually and genderally open membership, but members must be crossdressers and must dress at meetings.

CROSSROADS CHAPTER P.O. Box 3013, Flint Mi 48502, Grace Bacon, Elaine Willey, Joanne Janiszewski

Nature: Crossroads is a non-profit non-sexual social organization emphasizing friendship and support and the peace of mind of all. Crossroads has a formal membership of approximately 90 and an informal membership of approximately 250.

Services: Crossroads publishes a newsletter (Crossroads Chatter), and sponsers both formal and casual social activities. Crossroads provides referrals to other organizations nationwide, and helping professionals in the Great Lakes area. Crossroads also investigates agencies, businesses and organizations, and does considerable outreach work and publicity for the Para-culture.

Security: Crossroads welcomes all mature and responsible people, and places an emphasis on good manners, common sense, and the security of all.

WINDY CITY CHAPTER GGA contact: Sharon Renee Hart, Box 2312, Chicago Il 60690 312-472-4518

Nature: See 'Gateway Gender Alliance'.

Services: Frequent social functions.

Security: Private meeting with the Chapter President or qualified member.

CHI CHAPTER TRI ESS contact: Mary Ann Broer, P.O. Box 2055 Des Plaines Il 60018

Nature: See 'Society for the Second Self'.

Services: Get-togethers the 3rd Saturday of each month.

Security: Heterosexual TVs only. Private meeting with the Chapter President.

WISCONSIN TV NETWORK contact: Ruthann Moskowitz, P.O. Box 813, Madison Wi 53701

Nature: The TV Network is a non-profit non-sexual social and educational organization.

Services: The TV Network publishes a newsletter (Upper Midwest TV Times), sponsers social and educational functions, and provides information distribution for the Upper Midwest.

Security: All attendees must protect the security and peace of mind of all. Mature and responsible persons welcome.

MOUNTAIN ROSE SOCIETY P.O. Box 3062, Boulder Co 80307

Nature: M.R.S. is a non-profit non-sexual social organization with an open membership policy. M.R.S. emphasizes friendship, support, good manners, common sense, and the security of all. M.R.S. welcomes all mature and responsible people.

Services: M.R.S. publishes a newsletter, sponsors frequent social events, and provides information distribution for the Intermountain area.

Security: Private interview with a qualified representative of the Mountain Rose Society.

OUTHWEST, NORTHWEST

CROSSDRESSER HETEROSEXUAL INTERSOCIAL CLUB (CHIC) contact: CHIC, P.O. Box 562, Duarte Ca 91010 213-249-2442

Nature: CHIC is for heterosexual transvestites or crossdressers only, wives, professional people (MDs, psychologists, teachers, etc.), and friends. We are a local Southern California organization. We offer support and friendship, and stress security and good manners.

Services: CHIC sponsors meetings, parties, monthly dinners, and seminars on make-up, wigs, clothes, etc. CHIC publishes a monthly newsletter, and sponsors educational programs for the public.

Security: CHIC meetings are closed - members only and approved guests. All guests must be screened and approved by two Board members as well as the hostess if a home meeting. Prospective members must apply with a written application, be interviewed by two members of the membership committee and then approved by the Board of Directors. CHIC emphasizes strict security for all its members and guests.

ALPHA CHAPTER TRI ESS contact: Carol Beecroft, P.O. Box 194, Tulare Ca 93275

Nature: See 'Society for the Second Self'.

Services: Frequent socials.

Security: Heterosexual TVs and wives only. Private interview with Chapter President.

SCYROS CHAPTER of SHANGRI LA contact: Nancy Watson, P.O. Box 18202, Irvine Ca 92713

Nature: See 'Shangri La'.

Services: Monthly socials with hors d'oevres and refreshments followed by dinner out in posh restaurants en femme. Scyros often invites guests to help with development in areas such as voice, dress, make-up, deportment, etc.

Security: Private interview with Chapter President.

SAN FRANCISCO CHAPTER GGA P.O. Box 62283, Sunnyvale Ca 94088

Nature: See 'Gateway Gender Alliance'.

Services: Get-togethers the 2nd Wednesday of each month.

Security: Private meeting with Chapter President.

SAN JOSE CHAPTER GGA P.O. Box 62283, Sunnyvale Ca 94088

Nature: See 'Gateway Gender Alliance'.

Services: Get-togethers the 1st and 3rd Friday of each month.

Security: Private meeting with Chapter President.

THURSDAY IRREGULARS (SAN JOSE) By request, inquiries concerning the Thursday Irregulars are to be forwarded by the Tiffany Club, P.O. Box 19, Wayland Ma 01778

Nature: Social interaction of nonparanoid transgendered considerate people. The primary emphasis is on friendship, information dissemination and public relations.

Services: The Irregulars provide businessmen's lunches and meeting places for social functions.

Security: Prospective members will meet with a club representative (as men) at a luncheon or party. Discrete, considerate people are invited to return. Addresses and phone numbers are left to the discretion of the individual only.

NORTHWEST CHAPTER GGA P.O, Box 13173, Portland Or 97213

Nature: See 'Gateway Gender Alliance'.

Services: The Northwest Chapter has at least one function each month. The days vary in order to allow all of our girls to attend as often as is possible. We also publish a monthly newsletter.

Security: Private interview with Chapter President.

CANADA

TRANSVESTITES AU MONTREAL (old) TAMS, P.O. Box 153 Station Victoria, Westmount Que H3Z-2V5, (new) TAMS, P.O. Box 1164 Station H, Montreal Que H3G-2N1

Nature: TAMS is a non-profit non-sexual social organization with an open membership policy.
Services: TAMS publishes a newsletter (TAMS & Tissues), and has frequent social get-togethers.
Security: No particular requirements stated, but participants are expected to protect the security of all.

VANCOUVER CHAPTER GGA 2073-B E 27th Ave. Vancouver BC V5N-2W7

Nature: See 'Gateway Gender Alliance'.
Services: Occasional social functions.
Security: Private interview with Chapter President.

FOREIGN

BEAUMONT SOCIETY Box 3084, London WC1-6XX England

Nature: Beaumont is a non-profit non-sexual organization for heterosexual transvestites throughout Great Britain
Services: Beaumont sponsors evening and weekend functions, provides counseling for TVs with problems, and a contact system for members. Beaumont also publishes two bi-monthly magazines, "The Beaumont Bulletin" which contains editorial notices, personal ads, a shopping guide, regional news, etc., and "Beaumag" which contains fictional, biographical or autobiographical stories. Beaumont also provides a library, legal advice, and a liaison and referral to other organizations.
Security: Private interview with a qualified member.

ELIZABETH CLUB Ant trading Co., Sakata Building, 1-12 Iwamoto-cho Kanda, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 101, Japan

Nature: The Elizabeth Club was established in 1979 for transsexuals, androgynes, and transgenderists. We are located in major centers such as Tokyo, Osaka and Nagoya.
Services: We offer storage facilities for our members. We also have consultants available for helping members with make-up and dressing. There is a rental service of clothing, wigs etc. for members. The Elizabeth Club also publishes a magazine called "Queen" every other month. The magazine serves as a source of information to members on activities and events in Japan.

INFORMATION DISTRIBUTION CENTERS

(The organizations and individuals serving as information distribution centers are responsible for being familiar with the various services and organizations available in their given area. This information is to be distributed in accordance with the needs of the inquirer and not the private orientation of the organization or individual. Please note that not all organizations listed above are willing or able to serve as general information distribution centers.)

NORTHEAST

TIFFANY CLUB: Information distribution throughout the New England area. Tiffany Club, P.O. Box 19, Wayland Ma 01778 617-358-5575

THE OUTREACH INSTITUTE: Information distribution throughout New England. The Outreach Institute, Kenmore Sta. Box 368, Boston Ma 02215

MAYFLOWER SOCIETY: Information distribution for Greater Boston. Mayflower Society, P.O. Box 66, Allston Ma 02134 617-254-7389

HALCYON SOCIETY: Information distribution for Rhode Island. Halcyon Society, P.O. Box 143, North Kingston RI 02852

THE XX (TWENTY) CLUB: Information distribution for New England, specializing in transsexualism. The XX Club, P.O. Box 6070 Station "A", Hartford Ct 06106

THE BETTER LIVING INSTITUTE: Information distribution for the New York City area. B.L.I. c/o Joyce Dewhurst, P.O. Box 296 Elm "A" Station, Flushing NY 11380

MS CHERYL A. MCBRIDE: Information distribution for upper New York. Ms. Cheryl McBride, Box 6047, Albany NY 12206

MS KATHY HIVISH: Information distribution for Northeast Pennsylvania. Kathy Hivish, P.O. Box 268, Dallas Pa 18612 717-675-2585 weekdays 5-10pm, weekends 10 to 10

MS MICHELLE WILLIAMS: Information distribution in South NJ/Philadelphia area. Michelle Williams, Box 322, Collingswood NJ 08108

MID-ATLANTIC, SOUTHEAST

BETTY ANN LIND: Information distribution for Mid-Atlantic area. B.A. Lind, 5375 Duke St. A-1416, Alexandrial VA 22304

ALICE MILLARD: Information distribution Southeast, and Gulf Coast area. Alice Millard, c/o Mid-Gulf Coast, P.O. Box 2355, Pensacola FL 32503

FANTASIES IN LACE: Information distribution throughout Florida and Southeast. Fantasies In Lace Inc., 3608 W. Broward Bvl, Ft Lauderdale FL 33312 (305)581-2366

MID-WEST, SOUTH CENTRAL

CROSSROADS CHAPTER: Information distribution Michigan/Ohio area. Crossroads Chapter, P.O. Box 3013, Flint MI 48502

MS SHARON RENEE HART: Information distribution for Chicago area. Sharon Renee Hart, Box 2312, Chicago Il 60690 312-472-4518

MS RUTHANN MOSKOWITZ: Information distribution for Wisconsin/Minnisota area. Ruthann Moskowitz, P.O. Box 813, Madison Wi 53701

MOUNTAIN ROSE SOCIETY: Information distribution for Colorado area. Mountain Rose Society, P.O. Box 3062, Boulder Co 80307

MS MAXINE MCDONALD: Information distribution for Dallas/Fort Worth area. Maxine McDonald, Box 31171, Dallas Texas 75231

MS DOROTHY LYNNE HORN: Information distribution for South Texas area. Dorothy Lynne Horn, P.O. Box 996, Jourdanton Texas 78026

SOUTHWEST, NORTHWEST

RENAISSANCE GENDER IDENTITY SERVICES: Information distribution of Southern California area. Renaissance, P.O. Box 11341, Santa Ana Ca 92711 714-836-1803

GATEWAY GENDER ALLIANCE: Information distribution for Northern California area. GGA, P.O. Box 62283, Sunnyvale Ca 94088 408-678-0609

NORTHWEST CHAPTER: Information distribution for Oregon/ Washington area. Northwest Chapter, P.O. Box 13173, Portland Or 97213

COMING EVENTS

New England

TIFFANY CLUB: (Open, non-sexual)
Tiffany Club, Box 19, Wayland Ma. 01778
617-358-5575

OPEN MEETINGS: Casual get-togethers 7pm each Tuesday and Saturday

BUSINESS MEETINGS: 8pm, 4th Saturday of each month. General and Key members are encouraged to attend.

SUNDAYS: Evenings out on the town. Patricia Ann Ashley, organizer.

ST. PATRICK'S PARTY: 7pm Saturday, March 19. Wear green if you have it. If you're a mind to, come early and lend a hand setting up.
Fees: Standard People: Fantastic as always.

SPRING CLEAN-UP: All day Saturday and Sunday, April 9 and 10. Come and help get Tiffany ready for the Spring and Summer. Remember, Tiffany is your club. The best way to become a real part of it is to put out some effort on her behalf. *(Last year during the Clean-up we had 18" of snow. Hopefully this year we can use rakes instead of shovels.)*

SPRING OPEN HOUSE: All day Saturday April 16. Come and enjoy the fruits of our labor from the weekend before.
For the Spring Open House (as with the Fall Open House) all attendance fees are waived. There will only be the $6 charge to cover the cost of food. The idea is to get as many people as possible to come and see what Tiffany is about.
Its a good time and a good experience for one and all.

BEAUTY COURSE: A three session course at 8pm on Wednesday April 6, 13, and 20.
The course is being taught by Joan of 'Total Image'. Joan is a professional image consultant and cosmetologist, and has experience working with both the Tiffany Club and the Outreach Institute.
The cost for the course is $50.00 payable in advance. (The course is limited to six persons, so register early.)

(The Beauty Course is an outstanding way for newcomers to gain skill and confidence. If the demand is sufficient, the course will become an on-going program. If you are interested, contact Merissa Sherrill Lynn as soon as possible.)

WIVES SUPPORT GROUP: The first meeting is tentatively scheduled for late April 1983. Details pending.

CROSSDRESSER'S HOLIDAY WEEKEND: In Provincetown, June 3, 4, 5, 6 1983. See the brochure for details!
This is 'THE' annual event for Tiffany. Usually the party begins a week early at Tiffany, moves to P-town for the weekend, and finally finishes up back at Tiffany a week later. Come early and stay late!

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KAY MAYFLOWER SOCIETY: (Boston, sexual alternatives)
P.O. Box 66, Allston, Ma. 02134, 617-254-7389

MEETINGS: The weekly meeting usually begins at 7pm each Friday night. The exception is on the week before the Monthly Party the meeting is on Wednesday rather than Friday.

PARTIES: Last Saturday of each month.

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TRANSSEXUAL RAP GROUP: (Friends, relatives, interested persons welcome)

MEETINGS: 7pm each Thursday in Suite #1 (2nd floor), 7 Davis Square, Somerville, Ma.
For information: Center For Being, 136 Causeway St., Hudson Ma., 01749 617-568-0680

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HALCYON SOCIETY: (Rhode Island, open, non-sexual)
Occupant, P.O. Box 143, N. Kingston RI 02852

MEETINGS: 1st Saturday of each month and 3rd Sunday afternoon of each month.

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HARRIET LANE'S TV SET: (Connecticut, Open) Harriet Lane, Box 2 Yalesville Sta., Wallingford Ct. 06492, 203-288-1166

PARTIES: The 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month. The 2nd Saturday is non-sexual, and the 4th Saturday anything goes. $10 per person, $15 per couple, food served, cash bar.

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XX (TWENTY) CLUB: (Hartford, Transsexual support)
XX Club, P.O. Box 6070 Station "A", Hartford Ct., 06106 203-522-2646

MEETINGS: 3pm the 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month.

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OUTREACH INSTITUTE: (Educational) Outreach Institute, Box 368 Kenmore Station, Boston Ma 02215

MARCH 18-20: Fantasia Weekend, Washington D.C.

MAY 6-8: Fantasia Weekend, Chicago

JULY 8-10: Fantasia Weekend, San Francisco

AUGUST 5-7: Fantasia Weekend, Los Angeles

OCTOBER 14-23: 9th annual Fantasia Fair in Provincetown.

New York

ALBANY TVIC: (Open, non-sexual) William Thordsen, 1104 Broadway, Albany NY 518-434-8806

MEETINGS: 3rd Saturday of each month.

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NYC GGA CHAPTER: (Open, non-sexual) Muriel Olive, 157 W 57th Street, Suite 601, NYC, NY 10019 212-582-6823

MEETINGS: 3rd Saturday of each month.

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JOYCE DEWHURST, BETTER LIVING INSTITUTE: (NYC, Open, parties, special programs) B.L.I. c/o Joyce Dewhurst, P.O. Box 296, Elm "A" Station, Flushing NY 11380 212-335-3048

DEBUTANTE BALL: 9pm Saturday March 26, Night Moves Nightclub, 132 West 19th St. (between 6-7 aves.) NYC NY (Parking no problem at this location)
$25.00 on advance, $30.00 at door, unlimited liquor.

BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR JOYCE: 8:30pm Wednesday April 13 Dancing Oasis Ballroom, corner of Broadway and Queens Bvl., Elmhurst NYC.
Wine, Deli, and (of course) Birthday Cake.
$15.00 in advance, $20.00 at door.

SPRING FANTASY FESTIVAL 1983: Weekend in the Poconos Mountains May 13, 14, 15

Rates: $175.00 per person, $325.00 male/female couples.
$25.00 deposit required, balance by April 9, 1983

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CHI DELTA MU CHAPTER (TRI ESS): (Closed, heterosexual) Mr. M.J. Moran, P.O. Box 4988, Poughkeepsie NY 12602

MEETINGS: 2nd Saturday of each month, locations vary.

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LEE'S MARDI GRAS: (Social) Provincetown 83/84 Committee, 565 10th Ave., NYC, NY 10036 (contact Bebe J. Scarpi 212-947 7773)

COLUMBUS DAY WEEKEND: October 8,9,10 in Provincetown

PRE-HALLOWE'EN: October 22 and 23 in Provincetown. Discover a whole new world in Provincetown with the person who started TV Tours, Lee G. Brewster.

NEW ORLEANS: Pending a study of financial feasibility, another Mardi Gras tour to New Orleans is contemplated.

New Jersey-Pennsylvania

PHI CHAPTER (GGA): S. NJ, Phila.,(Open non-sexual) Michelle Williams, P.O.Box 322, Collingswood NJ 08108

MEETINGS: 4th Saturday of each month.

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SUE HALL: (NJ, TVs & Swingers) Sue Hall Enterprises, P.O. Box 74, Changewater NJ 07831

MEETINGS: Mondays, dress as you like.

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DALLAS CHAPTER (GGA): (NE Pa., Open, Non-sexual) Miss Kathy Hivish, Box 268, Dallas Pa. 18612 717-675-2585 (5-10pm weekdays)

MEETINGS: 1st Saturday of each month.

Mid-Atlantic

DELTA CHI CHAPTER (GGA): (Baltimore - DC, Open, non-sexual) Sandy Machin, Box 11254 Lincolnia Sta., Alexandria Va 22312

MEETINGS: 1st Saturday of each month.

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ACADEMY AWARDS: (Baltimore - DC, Drag-gay) Mr. Carl Pizzi, 1015 S. Quebec St. A-9, Arlington, Va. 22204

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CAPITOL CHAPTER (GGA): (Baltimore - DC) Lisa Rouse, P.O. Box 218, Burtonsville Md., 20720

MEETINGS: 2nd Saturday of each month.

Southeast-South

SUCCESS CHAPTER (GGA): (Florida) Susan Armstrong, Box 1601, Pinellas Park, Fl 33656.

MEETINGS: 2nd Saturday of each odd numbered month.

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ATLANTA TRANSPERSONS GROUP: (Rap sessions) Atlanta Gay Center, 931 Ponce deLeon, Atlanta Ga 876-5327

MEETINGS: 7:30 each Tuesday.

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FANTASIES IN LACE: (Florida, open, non-sexual) 3608 W. Broward Bvl, Ft Lauderdale FL 33312 (305)581-2366
MEETINGS: Every Saturday

Upper Midwest

WINDY CITY CHAPTER (GGA): (Chicago) Sharon Renee Hart, Box 2312, Chicago Il 60690 312-472-4518

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CHI CHAPTER (TRI ESS): (Illinois) Mary Ann Broer, P.O. Box 2055, Des Plaines Il 60018

MEETINGS: 3rd Saturday of each month.

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CROSSROADS CHAPTER: (Michigan, Open, Non-sexual) The Crossroads Chapter, P.O. Box 3013, Flint Mi 48502

MEETINGS: March 12, Ann Arbor; April 16, Flint; Late May, Detroit: This is tentatively planned as a weekend event. A brochure will be sent out as soon as all plans are complete.

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PARADISE CLUB: (Ohio, Open, non-sexual) Paradise Club, Box 24363, Cleveland Oh 44124

MEETINGS: April 16, June 18, August 20, October 22, December 10

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WISCONSIN TV NETWORK: (Madison, Open, Non-sexual) Ruthann Moskowitz, Box 813, Madison Wi 53701

MEETINGS: Irregularly Scheduled

Midwest - Inter-Mountain

MOUNTAIN ROSE SOCIETY: (Colorado, Open, Non-sexual) P.O. Box 3062, Boulder Co 80306

MEETINGS: 1st Friday of each month at locations to be announced.

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TV/TS GROUP: (Denver Co., Rap group) Open meetings in Denver. For information call: 303-830-7353.

Northwest

GATEWAY GENDER ALLIANCE (GGA): Chapters throughout North America, Open, Non-sexual) GGA, Box 62283, Sunnyvale Ca 94088 408-734-3773

MEETINGS: San Francisco: 2nd Wednesday of each month.
San Jose: 1st & 3rd Friday of each month.

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THURSDAY IRREGULARS: (San Jose, Open to non-paranoid transgendered people, non-sexual. Luncheons & Parties.) (By request) c/o Tiffany Club, P.O. Box 19, Wayland Ma 01778

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NORTHWEST CHAPTER (GGA): (Oregon) P.O. Box 13173, Portland Or 97213

MEETINGS: Meeting schedule unavailable at this time, but very active.

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Southwest

SHANGRI LA: (National membership, Major outings, Open, Non-sexual) Nancy Watson, P.O. Box 18202, Irvine Ca 92713

SCYROS CHAPTER: (S. Ca.) 1st Saturday of each month.

SHANGRI LA '83: April 27th to May 1 1983 in Biloxi Miss

SHANGRI LA WEST: June 24 to June 26 in Tehachapi Ca.

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SIGMA DELTA CHAPTER (TRI ESS): For information: Carol Beecroft P.O. Box 194, Tulare Ca 93275

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SALMACIS: (S. Ca., Open) Lynda or Ann 213-241-9093

MEETINGS: 2nd Saturday of each month.

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SANTA ROSA CHAPTER (GGA): Maria 707-575-1967

MEETINGS: 7-9:30pm alternating Fridays, call for information.

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SAN DIEGO CHAPTER (GGA): W. Thomas, Box 99732, San Diego Ca 92109

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SOCIETY FOR THE SECOND SELF (TRI ESS): (Chapters nationwide, Closed, Heterosexual) Carol Beecroft, P.O. Box 194, Tulare Ca 93275

ALPHA CHAPTER: (Los Angeles)

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CHIC (Crossdredder's Heterosexual Intersocial Club): CHIC, P.O. Box 562, Duarte Ca 91010 213-249-2442

MEETINGS: March 19, April 23, May 21, June 25

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Canada

TRANSVESTITES AU MONTREAL (TAMS): (Quebec, Open, Non-sexual) C.P. 1164 Succ. "H", Montreal Que. H3G-2N1

MEETINGS: Last Thursday of every month.

Foreign

BEAUMONT SOCIETY: (Great Britain, Closed, Heterosexual) Beaumont Society, Box 3084, London WC1-6xx England

MEETINGS: Frequent meetings at eleven chapters throughout Great Britain.

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ELIZABETH CLUB: (Japan, Open membership) Ant Trading Co., Sakata Building, 1-12 Iwamoto-Cho Kanda, Chiyoda-ku Tokyo 101, Japan

MEETINGS: Private facilities in Tokyo, Osaka and Nagoya. No meeting schedule available at this time but very active.

Vacations

FANTASIA FAIR: (Cape Cod, Open, Non-sexual) October 14 thru October 23, 1983. Annual 9 day event held each Fall in Provincetown Ma. F/F offers a wide selection of educational, social and outdoor activities and programs to all participants.
Eve Goodwin, Dept FF Box 368 Kenmore Sta., Boston Ma 02215 617-277-3454

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DREAM 1983: (Oregon, Open, Non-sexual) Semi-annual high quality event held in the Fall near Portland Oregon. Features condominiums, and a 5 day fashion/beauty course. DREAM, Box 58, 507 3rd Ave., Seattle Wa 98104

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TRI ESS SPRING CONVENTION: (Open to Tri Ess members only) Annual Spring event. This year's event is to be held in March in New Orleans. Carol Beecroft, Box 194, Tulare, Ca 93275

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SHANGRI LA: (Open, Non-sexual) April 27 thru May 1, 1983 Annual Spring event for advanced crossdressers who pass in public. This year's event to be held in Biloxi Ms. Nancy Watson, Box 18202, Irvine Ca 92713

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TIFFANY'S SPRING WEEKEND: (Cape Cod, Ma) June 3,4,5,6 1983 Annual event usually held in Provincetown during the first week of June. This is Tiffany's 'party' weekend oriented towards relaxation, friendship and having a good time. Tiffany's facilities are available for those who would like to come early or stay late. Tiffany Club, P.O. Box 19, Wayland Ma 01778 617-358-5575

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DAYTONA BEACH: (Open, Non-sexual) Annual Fall event sponsored by the SUCCESS Chapter of GGA
SUCCESS, P.O. Box 1601, Pinellas Park Fl 33565
813-856-2524

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POCONOS SPRING WEEKEND: (Open) Annual event usually held the second weekend of May. Joyce Dewhurst, 37-50 76 St., Jackson Heights NY 11372 516-335-3048

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POCONOS FALL WEEKEND: (Open) Annual event usually held the second weekend in September. Joyce Dewhurst, 37-50 76 St., Jackson Heights NY 11372 516-335-3048

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SHANGRI LA WEST WEEKEND: (Open, Non-sexual) Annual event usually held in June near Los Angeles. Nancy Watson, P.O. Box 18202, Irvine Ca 92713

Miscellaneous

JACQUES: (Drag Bar) 79 Broadway, Boston, Ma

MONDAYS: Talent Show! Any talent or lack of is welcome. Show starts at 10, be there at 9! Cash prizes.

THURSDAYS: All-comers show, no cash prizes.

Last Saturday of every month: Fire and Ice Review with Joanna Leigh.

LETTERS

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December 14, 1982

Ms. Merissa Sherrill Lynn
The Tiffany Club
% The Tapestry
P.O. Box 19
Wayland, Ma. 01778

Dear Ms. Lynn:

I want to strongly congratulate you on Issue 37 of The Tapestry. It is very impressive.

I was especially pleased to hear about the Fantasia Fair business conference. The idea of so many groups cooperating and coordinating is mind-boggling and long overdue. Good luck to all of you.

Sincerely,

Paul A. Walker, Ph.D.
Past President
The Harry Benjamin International
Gender Dysphoria Association, Inc.
Director
The Janus Information Facility

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IMPORTANT MESSAGE from Malinda Anderson, Founder and President of the 'Lambchops International Preservation Society' (LIPS):

Dear Friends,

There is a movement afoot to place Lambchops (Lambchopus Libertinis P-townus) on the 'Protected Species' list.

The Lambchopus is a rare and exotic species noted for its licentious behavior and impressive plumage. The Lambchopus' behavior is described as tri-sexual (it will try anything sexual). The species is often seen in a supine position, or crawling about on all fours attempting to mate with something. In an apparent attempt to promote cleanliness (or oral compulsion) the Lambchopus frequently attempts to lick any available unprotected or unoccupied toe, foot, finger, or similar appendage. This misunderstood gallantry on the part of the Lambchopus has led some hard-hearted persons to attempt to discipline this poor lacivious creature, without satisfying results (to the disciplinor anyway). Although the Lambchopus is best known for its outrageous behavior it can display extreme politeness. This suave and often excessive chivalrous behavior can be quite dangerous to the unwary.

Faithful Lambchopus observers report that recent sightings have been declining and reports of its usually extravagantly hedonistic behavior have been disappointing. This trend has left many observers fearing the Lambchopus may go the way of the now extinct horny horn toad and tight-skinned rhinoceros. (A tragic fate to say the least.) This creature must be saved!

It would be safe to say that everyone would benefit from the preservation of the Lambchopus Libertinis.

Researchers and behavioral scientists need this specimen in order to study its quaint mating practices and other perversions.

Politicians should see this as an issue of personal expression and animal rights.

Those that live in deadly fear of the Libertinis could use it as a training device to enable them to deal more effectively with other pests, i.e. sharks, wolves, snakes, etc. They might even consider it an act of supreme charity, worthy of another crown in Heaven.

Those who are mildly bemused, perhaps even tolerant of the Libertinis would have little to talk about over morning coffee should this creature become extinct.

Finally, those few (few indeed) who actually seek out the company of the Libertinis would be overwhelmed and deeply saddened by the loss of such a libido.

Although many inferior sub-species have evolved (the 'Lounge Lizard' for instance), none can compare with the Lambchopus Libertinis P-townus. His style is second to none and his plumage is unquestionably right up there with the big ones.

SAVE THE LIBERTINIS!!!

Anyone interested in joining the Lambchops International Preservation Society should write: LIPS, c/o R. Peterson, P.O. Box 524, Lake Mills WI 53551. An organizational meeting will be held in P-town this June during the Tiffany Gala Weekend. We are hoping the Lambchopus will be available for observation, which (depending on your point of view) could be exciting.

Thank you for your interest and support.

Malinda

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THANKSGIVING

Dear Merissa

It was a well organized evening and I'm sure everyone enjoyed the get-together. At Tiffany, I felt welcome right away and had a good rapport with several of your other guests.

Let me wish you good success with your undertaking at Tiffany and once again my thanks for your kind reception which I do appreciate, believe me!

Gaby (Can.)

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Dear Merissa

I never did get to thank you and the other girls who were so kind to me when I visited you last spring. Time flies by so quickly and I for one just never seem to get caught up on everything. Would dearly have loved to return for the next sessions on makeup.

Lee (ME)

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(EDITOR'S NOTE: In January '83 a group of Tiffany girls held a training workshop for the hotline staff of Project Place, a hotline and counseling agency in Boston.)

Dear Merissa, Bobbi and Linda

I would like to thank all of you very much for the In-Service you gave us on Jan. 19.

One person said that it was the best In-Service he'd been to. There was much talk in the next few days stemming from your In-Service.

Sharing personal experiences always is effective and moving, as yours were. It takes courage to do that. Thank you.

I, and others, feel like you answered some questions I had and were really puzzled over.

May your lives be filled with happiness and harmony.

Sincerely, Suxan Zeichner

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Dear Merissa

It's difficult to convey a feeling... but I feel very glad to have encountered the Tiffany Club. There are too few places where a person has the freedom to grow, to develop in new ways, in an atmosphere of acceptance and nurturance.

Thanks!

Love, Wendy (NY)

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From Grace Bacon, Director of Crossroads Chapter, P.O. Box 3013, Flint MI 38502

Dear Merissa,

Enclosed is the questionnaire that you sent out with the Fall issue of the Tapestry. I think that you know how I feel about a national network of information centers. I have been privately working toward that goal for several years now. Any new contacts of Crossroads have been informed of any known TV/TS group activity in or near his area of residence. If there is not any known organized activity in or near his area, the contact is referred to both Tri-S and GGA for national information.

For referring people to other groups around the country, I've made extensive use of the listings in the Tapestry - it is the most complete one that I've seen yet. You are doing an excellent job of ferreting some of these new groups out. In view of this, are you aware of organizational efforts in Cincinnati, Indianapolis and St Louis? Elaine *(Willey, Co-Director of Crossroads)* may have info on Indy and Cincy - do you have info on the St Louis effort?

I will make plans to attend the Tiffany Spring Weekend. Until then, the guitar is tuned, and once in a great while I even have a couple of minutes to look into a bridge book!

Love, Grace

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Dear Merissa

Keep up the great work!

Laura (Can.)

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Merissa

Just a note to say Thank You for my invitation to Tiffany. I'm looking forward to joining in on a few of your coming events.

Hope to see you all soon. Thanx again for a wonderful time.

Glori Beth (MA)

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Dear Merissa, Pat, Ginny, Roberta, Willa et al

Most of you may know that Dustin Hoffman made a movie called "Tootsie". I mention this movie because of some comments Hoffman made with respect to doing the movie. He has a small child now (1-2 years old) and lived with the boy near the movie set. It was useful to him to dress as his character at home before going to the studio. Thus his son had "gender confusion" with respect to who his mommy/daddy is. Hoffman went on to say that, 'IT IS ABSOLUTELY A PRIVELEGE TO BE ABLE TO BE A WOMAN - TO EXPERIENCE BEING A WOMAN. IT IS SOMETHING EVERY MAN SHOULD DO!"

Hoffman said it for me - it is absolutely a privelege for me to be a woman. "Tootsie" may be a disappointment as a film, but Dustin Hoffman is my hero!

Love, Marci

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Dear Merissa

I received my copy of the Tapestry. It is certainly a beautifully done magazine, and so informative in regards to the activities of our culture.

I noted that Outreach is planning to sponsor mini Fantasia Fairs in several cities outside the Boston/Cape Cod area. Gee I believe that would be quite a success. We have 40 to 60 girls here in the Seattle-Portland area that I'm sure our Chapter, GGA Northwest Chapter, could be interested in a weekend in Portland. We have many places to go here to enjoy a lovely time, and of course you are aware of the absolute natural beauty of the area. I intend to drop Outreach a line and offer my full cooperation in any possible weekend gathering here. We could finally get you girls out in the beautiful west coast are of the North. You would just fall in love with our unique beauty.

Ellen,
Secretary, NW Chapter, GGA

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BUSINESS CONFERENCE

Dear Merissa,

You are to be congratulated on doing an excellent job putting out the Fall Tapestry. I especially liked the report on the Fantasia Fair 1982 Business Conference.

There was mention of setting up information distribution centers. I would be more than happy to do this for the Connecticut area. Three months ago I compiled a 15 page listing of resources available to transvestites in all parts of the country that I had knowledge of. I then designed a cover sheet. 50 copies were made, I now have ten left. I placed an ad in the Metroline (a Hartford gay newspaper which is distributed through gay bars where I have seen other TVs). Using a P.O. Box, I have managed to get this information to other TVs. My reason for doing this is my looking back on my life and remembering how alone I felt, turning to drugs and alcohol, hating myself and always wanting to destroy myself. I have also given copies to area mental health agencies where I ended up going for help in getting off drugs and alcohol, learning to like myself again. They were happy to receive this information, all said they have had other TVs as patients, had no information to pass on to them.

My feelings about groups like yours is that its a place to communicate with other TVs and know that others are here and understand me. I can understand and support them, and if I don't help or support these groups, who will?

I hope the Holidays are nice for you and the Tiffany Club. Things are looking up for the gorup in the coming year. Keep up the good work.

Cindy V. (CT)

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Dear Merissa

Whoever wrote the Halcyon Society Report isn't up on their weather. The last I heard about California was FLOODS, FLOODS, etc., and no sunny skies. Must have been Rhonda!

Esther (WA)

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Merissa

I wish you and all the staff of Tiffany all the best for 1983.

I received No. 37 of the Tapestry where I saw myself in the listings of the sisters. I was fascinated. I am very proud you have accepted me in between all the nice girls that appear there.

I once more congratulate you for the fine job you are doing.

Love, Judy T. (Athens, Greece)

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Dear Merissa

I received the Tapestry and find it enlightening from cover to cover. It's so wonderful to know others share your thoughts and feelings, and that you are not isolated within yourself.

You are certainly doing an incredible job, and if I were to grant the rewards for your work, you would surely receive the Medal of Honor.

Charlene Gail B.

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CHRISTMAS

Dear Merissa

I must congratulate you and your staff for the wonderful Christmas party.

As for myself I had a wonderful time and never in my wildest dreams would I ever dream of winning an award for playing in an all girls band. I've played for some very important people in my day, including Eisenhauer, Doolittle, and a score of others, but I've had the most fun at Tiffany.

Thanks again!

Jony (CT)

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INTRODUCING THE ELIZABETH CLUB OF JAPAN

Tiffany Club

I was referred to your club by an American friend of mine.

The Elizabeth Club was established in 1979 for the transsexuals, androgynes and transgenderists in Japan. We offer a place to store clothing and cosmetics for members. We also support making friends, and their peace of mind. Members of the Elizabeth Club are all amateur. They come to the Elizabeth Club to be released from stress. Our employees give them advice on how to make up and dress up. We rent clothes, shoes and wigs to them.

The Elizabeth Club has grown to over 150 members. This is the biggest scale in Japan. Other transsexuals who are not members can also use our places. By holding a party and making a trip twice a year, we promote friendship among our members.

I publish a magazine , the purpose of which is to inform and share with all activities and an association with them. This magazine, named "Queen" was first published in 1979. It is printed every other month. It includes lots of pictures, the story of their experiences and letters sent in from the readers.

Regarding my publishing enterprises, I have enclosed a magazine of my recent publication. Please accept it as a gift.

I would like to have some more information about your club. I would like to have some photos of American Transsexuals too, if possible. If you give me those photos, they will appear in our next edition. I would like to get them till the end of March. I will pay for the postage later.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Chikako Ishikawa
Chief Editor

(For information, write: c/o Ant Trading Co., Sakata Build.,]-]2 Iwamoto-cho, Kanda, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 101 JAPAN)

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Dear Merissa
Thanks for the very nice copy of the Tapestry. It is so professionally done and such fun to have.
Have a lovely Holiday Season.
Sally (MD)

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CHRISTMAS

My Dear Merissa
In retrospect, the Xmas Party was a tour de force. As for the banquet, I was gratified at the lack of "No Shows". A tribute to you, my dear.
I would suggest another award, if you don't mind. One to the wives of us poor creatures. Something like an award for, "Love And Devotion Over And Above The Call To Duty." I'm sure they would appreciate it.
I am thinking of bringing the D.O.A. back to life under the logo of L.O.O.T. The Loyal Order of Transvestites.
DeeDee (CT)

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AUNT DOROTHY'S TRAVEL REPORT

Dear Dorothy
Next time take a train!!
L. Kathy (CA.)

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BUSINESS CONFERENCE

Dear Merissa -

Enjoyed the report on Fantasia Fair 1982 Business Conference. Hope to attend that part of Fantasia Fair '83 if I get details on it.

Like your ideas very much! I'm willing to help in my limited way down this way. I spend May thru mid-October in NY each year and the remainder in Northwest Florida. The address I wish to use for information is

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Pensacola, FL 32503

Warmly, Alice M. (FL)

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Dear Merissa
Thanks again for the hospitality during my visit last May.
I think often of the wonderful time I had and am so pleased I was at last able to meet you. All of the girls were lovely and I wish each of you love and happiness.
Richard (NY)

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FORUM

The Forum is for exploring what we think, what we feel, what we say and do. It is for exploring our difficulties, our guilts and fears, and how we can overcome them. The Forum is not for fiction, or fantasy, or technical articles. Rather, it is for talk, for thought, for understanding outselves and one another, and for sharing ourselves with others.

If you have an item you wish to submit for publication in the Forum, send it to: Editor, The Tapestry, P.O. Box 19, Wayland, MA 01778.

TRIBUTE TO FRANCES

by Merissa Sherrill Lynn

On January 14 Frances Gibson passed away, quietly, comfortably, in her sleep. She was 80.

I am crying as I pass this memory on to you.

If you have never met Frances, you missed knowing a rare human being, certainly one of the most loved members of our Community, someone that everyone should have had the privelege of knowing. She had a wit and a joy for life that was infectious. She would light up a room just by coming into it. She would sit at a piano playing her ragtime and sing-along music and toes would tap and people joined in and the room was filled with happiness. She would laugh and suddenly you felt like a million bucks just by being near her.

My favorite stories are of her. For instance, there was the time she was vacationing in Scotland. She heard there was a sale at Elkins Bootery. She told her wife she was going out for a sandwich, flew from Scotland to Boston to save $35 on a pair of boots, bought a pink baby doll nightie for $1 at a local thrift shop, stayed three days to revel in her proud new purchases, then flew back to Scotland. I hope she enjoyed the sandwich.

My warmest memories are of her. There was the time she was awarded 'Miss Fantasia Fair'. (No one ever deserved it more.) As she stepped up to receive her award she looked around, gave her quick infectious laugh and said, "In the words of the great John L. Lewis, so many beautiful ladies and so little time." In an instant she made a hundred people feel fantastic. My fondest memory though, was of the last Fan/Fair talent show in which she participated. Over the years Frances had endeared herself not only in the hearts of the Fair participants but in the hearts of the people

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of Provincetown. Everyone knew this could be her last performance. When she was introduced and helped to the stage the audience cheered and gave her a standing ovation, a tribute she certainly deserved. She played, and everyone enjoyed, as always. Then at the end of the performance she was to accompany Dorothy Finch in the song 'Rosie'. Frances thought she was going to do 'Rosie' for the audience. Not this time. This time the audience was going to do 'Rosie' for Frances. 300 people, arms linked, tears streaming down their cheeks, singing 'Rosie' with all the lung power they could muster. Frances knew how we felt about her.

So Frances, you once described yourself as a 5'5" ugly old man a 5'9" sporty old lady. You were always sporty but never ugly. Goodbye my friend. My life is richer for having known you, and my love goes with you.

Merissa Sherrill Lynn

TO FRANCES

Gone this year
A friend, a peer
"Twill be a bit
More lonely here.
Our love for whom
Will never cease.
Good-bye, old friend
and Rest In Peace.

DeeDee Watson

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VICTIMS OF SOCIETY: WHY WE ARE DENIED

A responce to Elizabeth Warburton's 'Angry Letter', printed in 'Issue 37'

by Charlene Wanda M.

Our society is comprised of smaller communities each of which contains sane and rational thinking people. These communities include ethnic groups, sexual minorities, the rich, the poor, etc. There is nothing wrong with these communities. Society at large, the meshing of the smaller communities, requires definition of the "sub-cultures' by which it exist. It follows that if the existance of these communities is normal, yet not defined normal, then it is done so by an abnormal society. When society denies a part of itself, it is in effect, displaying abnormalcy. The effect of the denial makes the sub'culture, not well. Its members the victims of society.

Individuals are members of several communities; some by choice (religion), some without choice (color, sex). Interdependance between communities form still other communities. An example would be man and woman, creating communities of married and single people. Few communities are totally dependant upon other communities.

The pre-operative transsexual relies upon the medical community to obtain their goals, hopes, and desires. The medical community's goals are based upon helping the individual who is injured either physically or mentally. When approached by the transsexual person this community has no choice but to label the individual sick. And why not? By their own definitions, it is the only one they have.

The medical community has a dilemma on its hands in that not only transsexuals seek sex reassignment surgery. In fact, a disproportionate amount of non-transsexual people seek the surgery, convinced that it will resolve whatever emotional issue they may be dealing with. Consider that not all professionals in the medical society are concerned with transsexuals. The majority of what they see and hear are from non-transsexual people. They draw concepts and prejudices regarding sex reassignment. These prejudices passed upward into the society of medicine ripple back down into its own society in the form of peer pressure and controversy upon those who are interested in the transsexual. The result is an unrealistic examination of <u>what</u> the medical community is doing, rather than <u>who</u> it is serving. The transsexual person is denied by the abnormality which exists within the medical community. It is doubtful that a good, reliable transsexual clinic will exist with qualified members of the medical society until acceptance comes from its peers.

More and more transsexuals in transition are developing their own personal clinic, whether they're aware of it or not. It most likely includes a doctor, a psychologist and/or psychiatrist, an electrologist, a perspective surgeon, a lawyer, a career councilor, and more. Trying to find supportive professionals within a realistic area is almost impossible. To quote Liz, "A transsexual has to travel -- to outer space..." and for more than just surgical needs. The transsexual takes on the added responsibility and costs involved to keep these professionals in communication with each other. These tasks should belong to an organized clinic. The transsexual person cannot adequately assess how well the interaction between these professionals is going. Any person in this situation must cope with the added stress of obtaining their goal(s). Prolonged stress and transition <u>is</u> a slow process, can lead to overloading and to lower psychological intergration and impaired performance. This can render the transsexual, and his/her community - not well.

The next time you read, or see, or hear about a person who suddenly became an alcoholic, or how someone was carted away to the funny farm, or a mysterious suicide, go beyond his/her community and circle of friends, go beyond the person, and consider society at large. Consider how this person might have been denied. Consider the frustration when one's goal(s) have been repeatedly thwarted. Consider the -- Victims of Society...

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AT WHAT AGE SHOULD YOU TELL YOUR CHILDREN?

by Helen Thordsen

(Helen and her husband William have been running the Albany TVIC for 28 years. They have extensive experience in dealing with problems related to marriage and family. The following passage appeared in their fine newsletter the 'TVIC Journal', vol. 11 No. 110.)

Here is a question I am asked frequently. At what age should you tell your children that their father is a crossdresser? You have to watch your time, some children mature faster than others. If your children go around with older girls and boys, there is some chance they may already know something about fellows who are gay, or they may hear about female impersonators, then again children who are slow in school learning would probably be slow on picking up on the points you might be trying to make about their Dad's being in women's clothes. It is hard to give an answer that would fit each family perfect. With me I told my daughter right off about her father, like I said before she only requested he not dress in front of her. This does not mean she accepted his way of life, nor did she condone it or that she would not associate herself with him. Of course we accepted her request, and we have had a good relationship. Some thing like this has to be felt out when you think they are adult enough to understand and of course it is up to you to explain it to them as simple as you possibly can. Perhaps you can show them some female impersonator books and explain that they are men dressed as women. Watch what their reactions are. If they ask questions give them an honest answer. It should be explained that this is a family secret, and you will tell them what they have to know as they grow older. But then again you have to be ready for whatever happens to your way of life should they go against your dressing. You will have to think #1. whether you want to live on as a family should they disagree with you, or #2. move out and live your life as a transvestite alone. If you choose #2 please think twice as it can be a lonely life after you have been a family. Some TVs are willing to wait and dress when the children are already in bed. It is hard when you have to sneak around when you have the desire to dress. Some of

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the girls dress when their wives are at work or out for the evening, as like their children they do not go along with the dressing. Transvestites are really not out of the woods as yet, as people still have a long way to go to accepting crossdressers, perhaps movies like "Tootsie" will help broaden their minds. I have accepted it, but I cannot make others accept it, they have to have peace of mind as they have to live with it. It is up to both husband and wife to talk it over as it is their life and home that is being invaded by a crossdresser. An outsider can tell another wife how she accepts it and of her life of living with a crossdresser, but you cannot make her accept that kind of life until she fully understands what possesses her mate to want to dress. It may mean going to a psychiatrist or a Dr. who can explain some of the reasons they like to dress. Believe me it is a hard subject to really be able to explain in words. It is something I always say has to be seen for themselves to put their mind at rest. They along with all the others will find that a crossdresser does no wrong, and hurts no one. To love one another is to believe in one another, listen to all sides of the story do not judge in haste. It takes time to understand but with an open mind things usually can be worked out, but both parties have to be able to sit down and talk things out. A clear mind is a peaceful mind.

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(Ms Sherelynn Lehman, a Marriage, Family and Sex Therapist, recently spoke at a Paradise Club [OH] meeting. Ms Lehman raised some very interesting points, and answers to questions. The following report was prepared by Norma Bates and published in Paradise's newsletter Paradise Tales)

Ms Lehman spoke to us for 42 minutes and then held a question and asnwer session that lasted another half hour. If I may, I would like to bring out some of the things she spoke about.

Her definition of a Crossdresser is: A male who has a need to wear the clothing of the opposite sex. She stressed the word NEED. It is a compulsion and the number of times this compulsion needs to be fulfilled varies with the individual. Crossdressers are intelligeot, warm, sensitive people. The come from all walks of life, from all kinds of homes. In her experience, only two males were forced to dress as girls in their early life; the rest came from what anyone would call a normal home. There is no common denominator among crossdressers. It has been estimated that from 1-3% of the male population are crossdressers. From her experience she said that this estimate is low. The actual number is probably higher. Nobody knows the cause of crossdressing. Studies show that a probable cause is a biochemical propensity, determined prenatally, of a bi-genderal brain development. During the prenatal period the fetus is given the signal to develop as a male so the genitals appear. Somehow these signals get mixed up and the brain develops as a female. This is in the case of a TS. Normally, the signals continue and a normal male is born. Somewhere in between the signals get mixed up to the point where we have a male genitally, but one who has the need to express himself as a female some of the time. This is not something that anyone would choose to do voluntarily, it is too hard. Even being gay is more acceptable socially than being a crossdresser. And a fetishist is different from a crossdresser. Sexual arousement may be there initially, but as the crossdresser grows older it becomes a comfort to dress as a woman. There is a relaxation and soothing quality to the dressing. If crossdressing were a result of a screwed-up childhood, it could be cured. Therapy doesn't work. Shock treatments do not work. Is there a cure? If you consider this to be an illness--No! If you consider this to be a difference, the answer is still --No! Can you deal with this effectively? Yes! Can you put it off? No! She does not know of anyone who wants to get rid of it. It is difficult to live with, but the satisfaction, pleasure and comfort are too great. As a spouse, friend or girlfriend, it is important to understand that. Should you tell your 'GG'? Yes, but the manner in which to do it is difficult. Crossdressing could lead to divorce, but usually the divorce is caused by other reasons.

To a woman, crossdressing is difficult to handle. It is like having sex with your sister. Women are taught that this is not right. How a mate deals with it depends a great deal on how it is presented initially. Many women cannot handle it. She must have understanding, patience, tolerance, open mindedness and caring to deal with a mate who has this difference. It was society who put man above woman. If a woman dresses as a man, she is raising herself up to the level of a man. This is OK. If a man dresses as a woman, he is degrading himself. This is wrong. It is the worst thing a man could do. Crossdressers are sometimes very self-centered. They spend long times in getting ready. A TV needs to be aware that he is taking up an inordinate amount of time in this practice. He must have some concern about his mate. The compulsion tends to get out of hand. He must rule it, instead of it ruling him. He should be very appreciative of his mate. If he is spending money on vacations with his spouse, or buying her gifts, he must make sure she has equal amounts of money to spend and not take away from needed cash for other things. The couple must make sure they are not masking other issues. Make sure that you are honest about it and discuss it. A woman is lucky if her spouse is a crossdresser; he is not going to fool around. He is going to be honest. There is a lot of tension about this because it is difficult to have a relationship. The couple must work at it.

In the question and answer session, it was asked if it is dangerous for the TV to suppress the desire to dress. Most of the time the TV cannot suppress it very long so the danger is a buildup of tension. He becomes like another person, a Jekyll-Hyde. Short tempered, irritable, a little crazy, mean, depressed. The buildup exculates until something happens. The dnager is in an internal emotional state, a psycho-physical ailment. What if you are a wife who says her spouse may not dress? Should you feel guilty? If you cannot tolerate it, the TV must dress away from home, with other people such as PARADISE or the marriage must end. There is no in-between. The TV feels guilty too, as he wishes he didn't have to be this way. A couple in a dilemma must bargain. Women must know that this is not going to go away.

How does a wife explain crossdressing to another person who doesn't know about it? With great difficulty! She should have a statement ready, a copy of a definition from a book. The simplest explanation is the best. If she is embarrassed about it, she should tell them to talk to her husband.

If you are single, when should you tell your girlfriend? Only when you reach a serious point, when you are ready to make a commitment.

What if your child should discover you dressed? Tell them what it is all about but keep it low key. It will not affect their development. It is best not to come right out and tell your children. A lot depends on the level of comfort of the parents. The problem is that the child must keep this a secret all his life. If he tells someone else, that person will ridicule him. This is a big burden to put on a child. But each case is different. Some may be able to handle it.

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There was a young man of renown
Who went to the ball in a gown
He made quite a scene
As he waltzed like a queen
Now he's really the talk of the town

Anon

ORGANIZATION REPORTS

(Editor's Note: The following reports are abstracted from the newsletters of the respective non-profit organizations. The objective is to maintain communications between the organizations, and to help keep people informed as to the nature of the organizations and their activities. Reports from all legitimate non-profit organizations serving the TV/TS Community are welcome. If you have an organization you would like represented, send your newsletter or report to: Editor, TV/TS Tapestry, P.O. Box 19, Wayland Ma 01778.)

TIFFANY CLUB REPORT

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by Merissa Sherrill Lynn
Executive Secretary

photo by Mariette Pathy Allen

Regretfully I have to start this report on a sad note. One of our dearest members, Frances Gibson, passed away. Her passing is a heartfelt loss to us all. (See our 'Tribute to Frances' in the 'Forum'.)

On a happier note we finally got rid of our 8 month 'weekend' guest Rhonda. (I'm entitled to show a certain amount of gleeful animosity on her departure, especially after she awarded me the 'Whining, Bitching and Complaining award for 1982.) Rumor has it she finally got a job (probably off on some hot swampy malaria infested island zapping satellites and cannibals with her laser). Last time we heard she was back in California getting her XXX pinched at the Queen Mary. I'm afraid the Metro just isn't going to be the same without her. I wonder if she's going to the Alpha Chapter for a (ahem) 'weekend' visit?

November

We all know what an aesthetic month November is; cold, lifeless, snowless, the earth a dead brown and the sky a sullen gray. Naturally, its a great time to party, and we had a great party - Halloween! (Because of its proximity to Fantasia Fair, and to avoid a conflict with everone elses Halloween parties, we postponed ours until November - a good decision.)

The day before the real party Liz and I had a private 'clean up the garage' party. We sang and danced our way through the grease, trash, and cobwebs, and believe it or not we had a good time doing it. (Thanks Liz, you made a miserable chore a pleasant one.)

At the party we had our usual mob, people from near and far, ready to go!

First came the leg contest. God, does Tiffany Club have some great legs! *(Warning to whom it may concern: if you are going to show off your gorgeous legs, for the sake of decency, make sure everything else is properly tucked in!)* Liz won, but she cheated. (No passes at the judges and no touching allowed!) I will have to admit though she does have a nice set of appendages.

Then came the costume contest. I think I should have won. I came as 'The Wicked Witch of the West Impersonating Merissa 3 Hours Before The Party'. (Anyone who has been around me 3 hours before a party knows how appropriate that is.) Carolyn had a good shot at it. She came in a somewhat modified Santa outfit calling herself a 'Female to Male Transsanta! Then there was Linda and her wife Janice. Janice came as Terry Bradshaw and Linda was (of course) her cheerleader. My personal favorite was Linda from Buffalo (NY). She came looking like a drag queen in a tuxedo. She was supposed to be Victor/Victoria, or, "a boy impersonating a girl impersonating a boy impersonating a girl impersonating a boy". She lost. So did the rest of us. The winner was Liz (again). I think she cheated (again). Liz won 'Best Overall' with her 'Tiger Tamer' outfit. (See what I mean by cheating? She was too sexy for such a modest group.) Shivon Richard was 'Most Outrageous' as 'Vampira' (she didn't cheat), and Rhonda Smith won 'Most Original' as the 'Laser Girl' (something right out of Flash Gordon.) They won! I lost! Too bad! Wait till next year!

After the contests, we suspended some white sheets on the garage doors then collected glass ash trays, drinking glasses, etc. Laser Girl (Rhonda) then treated us to a laser show. It was interesting and a lot of fun, but I can't help thinking the show was enhanced by the fact we had been partying for hours. "Ooooo wow (hic!) a red light! Far out, (hic!) lots a red lights!" Look out 2001 Space Odyssey, here comes the Tiffany Club!

After the show came pumpkin time and the long chore of cleaning up. For any event to be successful it takes work both before and after the event. This party was successful thanks to Liz, Linda, Stephanie, Pat, Ginny, Joanne, Rhonda, Roberta, and everyone who helped set up and clean up.

Two weeks later we had our traditional Thanksgiving Dinner. If you have ever been to the Tiffany Club you know our house is not very large. We packed 35 people into our little bitty living room and little bitty dining room for a formal sit-down dinner. (If you think that's easy, you try it sometime!) Did you ever try to hide 35 people while you prepared the food and set up tables etc? You can understand what a logistical nightmare it was. I can't believe we actually pulled it off. We did, and the dinner was fantastic!

December

The primary event for December was the Award Banquet/ Christmas Party. Last year we presented the awards at the house prior to the party. That was very nice, but it didn't give the recipients the recognition they deserved. This year we decided to try a formal banquet at another location besides the house, then come back to the house for a party afterwards. It worked. (But not without some logistical problems. It seems a number of people couldn't find the hotel, much less the banquet hall, then some people couldn't find their way back to the house from the hotel. We had poor souls lost all over Massachusetts.)

The major award winners for 1982 were:

Secretary's Award (presented by the Executive Secretary to the person who has made the most outstanding overall contribution to the Tiffany Club): Ms. Virginia Hunt

Most Helpful Award (presented by the Board of Directors to the person who was ready and willing to help when her help was needed): Ms. Patricia Ashley

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Ms. Virginia Hunt, winner 'Secretary's Award' and 'Miss Tiffany'.
Presenting the awards, Liz Warburton (Tiffany Club Board of Directors)

Ms. Joanne B., winner 'Friendship Award 1982' and 'Most Helpful Award 1982'
Presenting the awards, Liz Warburton (Tiffany Club Board of Directors)

First Year Award (presented by the Board of Directors to the person who has made the greatest amount of progress in her first year as a member): Ms. Joanne Bursiel

Miss Tiffany Award (voted by the membership on the basis of her dignity, charm and ladylike demeanor): Ms. Virginia Hunt

Friendship Award (voted by the membership on the basis of her friendliness and ability to help people feel welcome and comfortable): Ms. Joanne Bursiel

Special Recognition Awards were presented to Jo Lee and Carol Diamond for their contribution to the success of Tiffany's Fall Open House, and to Linda Erickson for her contribution to the success of our Clam Bake.

Certificates of Appreciation were awarded to: Dee Dee Watson, Rachia Heyelman, Susan Reynolds, Delores Bryant, Rony Garand, Roberta Dearborn, Diane Berry, Melinda Anderson, Amanda Josephs, Linda Johnson, Rhonda Smith, Kathy Robinson, Karen Varney, Penny North, Holly Cross, Joany Hesser, and Jo McCusker.

After the banquet we returned to the house (except for those dummies that forgot where the house was), and were greeted by a large number of people who were unable to attend the banquet (including those dummies that couldn't find the banquet). We slipped into something more comfortable, and were ready for Christmas.

(Two weeks before the party Charlotte St. James brought us a magnificent tree. We had a tree decorating party in its honor. By the time we finished our proud tree looked spectacular. Each year we suggest people bring three gifts, one for the grab bag, one for the house, and one or more for someone special. By the time the party came around our beautiful tree was buried in presents. It was a lovely sight to see.)

Lucia was Santa. First came the grab bag gifts - some serious, some not so serious. Them came the house gifts, including a beautiful set of glasses, two air filters (God bless the donors on behalf of all us non-smokers), a set of dishes, a coffee maker (God bless the donor on behalf of all us coffee drinkers who hate instant), and an assortment of books and magazines for the library (always welcome). The private gifts were then given privately.

Then to finish off an already memorable evening, Dee Dee and Joany struck up their all-girl band, and we sang carols. With the banquet - then the party - then the carols, it was a marvelous evening.

January

New Years - Nothing! Most of the girls interested in carousing went to Boston's 'First Nighters', or to the Metro, or to Jacques, or to somewhere else besides Tiffany. Thank God!

With the exception of the Transsexual Support Group meeting on the 8th, most of January consisted of business meetings.

The TS Group had as its guest Rev. Canon Jones from the John W. Henry Foundation of Hartford. Unfortunately I was not able to be at the meeting, and even more unfortunately the gal who was supposed to do a write-up of the meeting didn't do it. So, I'm sad to say we don't have a report on what I understand was an excellent meeting.

Summary of some of the business discussed:

·Plans for the final purchase of our house are still proceeding, as are the plan for the remodeling job we will have to do after purchase.

·Our application for tax-exempt status is still in the works. We finally have the appropriate paperwork collected, and we think its just a matter of time.

·We have designed a membership card for Special, General, and Key members, and screened guests. Besides identification, the basic purpose of the card is to let people know who has been screened, and who has not (which should be of considerable help when people attend functions, or when they travel to other groups).

Merissa Sherrill Lynn receiving the 'Whining, Bitching and Complaining' Award. *Presented by Rhonda (Laser Girl) Smith*

·In order to compensate for the increasing cost of managing the house and publishing the Tapestry, we decided it was time for a membership fee increase. Effective April 15 the membership dues will be: for Subscribers and Special members $30 (remaining at $20 for members in good standing of an approved non-profit organization), for General members $300 ($25 each month, or $250 if paid within 6 months), for Key members $360 ($30 each month, or $300 if paid within 6 months).

·Plans were made for the development of a Support Group for Wives. (The primary people to contact for information are Char Berry or Bobbie C., both c/o Tiffany). A communication and support network has already been established, and the first formal meeting is tentatively scheduled for April.

One final note before I summarize:

On January 19 I gathered up a few of the girls and went to Project Place to give a workshop for their hotline staff. Place had a good turnout for the workshop, and they were excellent people, a real joy to work with. It was certainly one of the most enjoyable workshops in which I've been involved. It wasn't an easy workshop to get to though. It was just a few days after an 18" nor'easter, and Boston is not famous for snow removal. Driving in we spent a good deal of our time going sideways. Walking from the parking spot to the workshop I was stabbed numerous times by low hanging tree branches, my hairpiece was untimely ripped from my head twice, I slipped and landed square on my XXX three times, and I broke the heel off my boot.

The workshop was also a new experience for some of the other girls, especially Bobbi. Now, Bobbi is good looking; sexy even. Throughout the evening Bobbi made a valient effort to be a lady, crossing her legs very properly this way and that, making sure her skirt was modestly pulled over her knees, etc. But I noticed a lot of guys in the workshop were getting turned on. Finally, one silver-haired gentleman broke in with, "I consider myself heterosexual, but damn, you turn me on!" Bobbi turned Bright Purple! Speaking of squirming, my God, I think if Bobbi could have crawled under the couch she would have. The MC broke in with "Oh just exchange phone numbers and get it over with". Bobbi's consternation was a work of art. She didn't lose her 'embarrassed country girl' smile for days. It was good for her.

Summary

As I'm sure you're well aware, the parties are the most visible function, but are actually a very small part of the over-all project. There is the management of the facilities, outreach work, meetings twice a week, providing a hotline and information service (the damn telephone rarely shuts up), the Tapestry (that alone is a 3-week job), interviews, the development of programs, etc, etc, etc. Its a whale of a job and betting bigger all the time. The days of being satisfied with a monthly party and a place to stash your clothing are long gone. I want people to be aware of what has happened to the Tiffany Club and where we are going. I want people to be interested, supportive, and as involved as possible. We accomplished a lot during the last quarter, and we intend to accomplish more during the next

My love to you all.

Merissa Sherrill Lynn

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The HUMAN OUTREACH and ACHIEVEMENT INSTITUTE

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The 8th Annual Fantasia Fair was held in Provincetown October 15 - 24 1982. In addition to the Pool Party, Swim Suit Review, and numerous practical and social programs, we introduced two new activities; a Whale Watch and a Kite Flying Extravaganza.

Fifteen Fair goers boarded the Dolphin III in Provincetown Harbor and set out to look for whales. Under the management and guidance of the Coastal Studies Center, we approached the feeding grounds of the Hump Back and Finback Whales. After an hour at sea, several miles off shore, we spotted a pair of Humpback Whales. They were an incredible sight to see. Then as we came near these behemoths of the sea, another whale appeared within 20 feet of the bow of the ship. And so it went for two hours. In all we sighted 12 whales. The highlight of this experience was to see a mother whale and her calf. Most of these whales can be identified and have been given names by the Coastal Studies Center. The calf we spotted was as yet unnamed so we suggested the name "Fanny Fair". It was a marvelous experience for all who went.

Twelve adventurous Fair people signed up for the Kite Flying Extravaganza and Picnic. Sponsored by Outermost Kites of Provincetown, they provided the kites and other necessary items for flying kites. Together we selected a section of beach on the Cape Cod National Seashore and launched about a dozen of the most diverse kites imaginable. The weather was sunny and the wind was just right for flying. For our picnic we had pizza and beverages and a good time was had by all.

Other highlights of the Fair included our own Fan/Fair Follies which played to a packed audience of 250 people and visitors, and there was our incomparable Awards Banquet. Fantasia Fair 1983 will take place October 14-23 1983 in Provincetown. For details write to the Institute.

The National Meeting for the Society for the Scientific Study of Sex (Quad S) was held in San Francisco November 12-14 1982. Ariadne Kane presented a paper entitled Crossdressing Behaviors and Androgyny. The three basic points made at this presentation were:

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1.) A gender role preference is being expressed through crossdressing and it is dependent on a choice of time and environment.

2.) Crossdressing behaviors are cyclical within the life pattern of a person.

3.) Particular aspects of crossdressing are the expression of an androgynic nature and become manifest in a positive growth environment

(For copies of Kane's paper send $1.50 [make payable to the Outreach Institute] to the Institute.)

The Outreach Board of Directors have approved 2 major projects for 1983.

1.) Fantasia Weekends - After eight years of doing Fantasia Fairs, a nine day living/learning experience for all people exploring alternative gender roles, it was decided that we should offer a similar quality program over a long week-end in selected locations in the United States. Accordingly the Institute has undertaken the necessary steps in implementing this program.

2.) A National Paraculture Guide and Directory - Recognizing the needs of the many diverse elements of the paraculture, the major problem is to have access to programs and services throughout the United States. Hence the Board gave approval to the development of the National Guide which would include listings of social contact groups, professional, legal, medical services, practical services and much more. To present such a comprehensive guide will require a carefully developed system of reliable data collection of available resources. We hope that readers of Outreach Newsletter will help by sending us pertinent information for inclusion in this publication. We expect to complete data collecting by June 1983 and hopefully to go press soon thereafter.

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RENAISSANCE

The John Augustus Foundation, 31814 Camino Capistrano, Suite L, San Juan Capistrano, Ca 92675

(The following report was excerpted from 'The Renaissance Update' and 'The ACLU Transsexual Rights Committee Report'.)

The TS Rights Committee was organized in May 1980, at the request of Joanna Clark, at that time, an ACLU legal assistant working in the Los Angeles office, in order to look after the needs of the estimated 60,000 preoperative and 10,000 postoperative transsexuals living in the United States.

Original Committee members remain active, nearly three years later, despite the fact that they have relocated across the state. Support for the Committee has grown during the same time period, with new members joining from as far away as Cape Cod. Likewise, Committee activities have become more involved and include such judicial projects as Clark V. United States, Saunders V. Department of Rehabilitation, Mostyn V. Carlson, and Leyland V. U.S. Air Force, and administrative projects such as revision of federal policy permitting use of federal funds for vocational rehabilitation, and enactment of health legislation to require health insurance programs to provide health care benefit for sex reassignment surgery and ancilliary procedures.

AN APPEAL FOR FUNDS

The TS Rights Committee is in need of additional financial support for 1983, if it is to continue its efforts on behalf of the transsexual community. Your contribution is needed. Your contribution will be used to:

1.) Support efforts to extend both civil rights and health insurance protection to the transsexual community.

2.) Maintain a legal defense fund for protecting the rights of transsexual persons.

3.) Establish a National Transsexual Rights Project.

RENAISSANCE ANNOUNCES THE FORMATION OF "LOTS" (LOVED ONES OF TRANSSEXUALS).

Few times of one's life can be more frightening than the moment your child or loved one announces that he or she is a transsexual and wants to have a sex change.

"Transsexual? What's that? I don't understand!" Explanation....followed by fear, confusion, and thoughts of "Where did I go wrong?"; "Why me?"; "What will the neighbors say?"; "How will I tell the family?"; "Whom can I talk to?"

Although transsexualism is a relatively rare condition, it nevertheless affects an estimated 60,000 families in the United States, families who share that common frightening moment when they are confronted with the knowledge that their loved one is "different", that he or she is transsexual.

In an effort to bring together these families and loved ones and provide a forum where they can discuss their mutual problems, provide support and understanding to each other, LOTS (Loved Ones of Transsexuals) was formed. Utilizing space provided by the Gender Dysphoria Program of Orange County, Inc., LOTS is located at 31815 Camino Capistrano, Suite L, San Juan Capistrano Ca 92675 - END -

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GATEWAY GENDER ALLIANCE NATIONAL REPORT

GGA, P.O. Box 62283, Sunnyvale Ca 94088

(Excerpts from GGA's 'Phoenix' magazine, and from Chapter newsletters)

PHI CHAPTER REPORT

Michelle Williams, P.O. Box 322, Collingswood NJ 08108

October 30, 1982

Ordinarily the Phi Chapter holds its monthly meetings in the late afternoon and evening of the 4th Saturday of each month. However, this month holds "our day": Halloween!! We had 24 of the regulars and 6 of our wives and girlfriends with us on the 30th - the 5th Saturday. It was again observed by a number of those present, independently of each other -- that our PHI Chapter is becoming "wall-to-wall" people. Our Chapter is growing!

Today we had Sisters from Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and New York!! - And we also had the happiness of welcoming the wives of Lora of Philadelphia, Lynn of Maryland and Kathy of Media Pa. to our meeting for the first time.

Today, too, we repeated the 'outing' we enjoyed so much on Halloween '81. Some 20 of us visited the Metropolitan Community Church of Philadelphia and joined in the Halloween Party then in progress. There was much talking, dancing, bobbing for apples and awards given for various events, cosutumes and what one usually associates with enjoyable parties.

Judy Ann was given an award for the 'most believable' costume, and was so surprised and shocked, she had only one comment: "Michelle planned this ..." (However, to this day, Michelle continues to deny any such endeavor!)

Prior to the break-up of this very enjoyable evening, Michelle extended an invitation to the members of the Metropolitan Community Church to join the PHI Chapter at its Christmas meeting set for Dec. 18.

And then came "Pumpkin-time" again ...

November 27, 1982

This date has been set aside since the foundation of the PHI Chapter in 1978 as the occasion of the "Wives, Lovers & Sweethearts Party".

There were, on this occasion, 7 couples meeting for a dinner at Compton's Log Cabin in New Jersey. It is the occasion that our wives and Sweethearts can get to know each other well.

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Although no official chapter business is conducted at this affair; it is a fun-time for all. But, tonight, marked a milestone for the PHI Chapter. The wives present decided to form an 'Auxilliary" to the PHI Chapter. They plan this organization as a "Booster" or "Support" group. We certainly hope this activity grows in the coming days.

And since we didn't dress for this occasion - there was no 'pumkin time' either! We said our good-byes, simultaneously alleging our plans for next month's get-together.

December 18, 1982

Talk about "wall-to-wall people" ... Today, we had to play "musical chairs' with the more than two dozen seats available for the almost 30 persons in attendance. At our present rate of growth, the local Fire Marshal may surprise us some day and limit our growing attendance!

We were all glad to see Betty Ann from Virginia again. She was on hand to lighten up the festivities as usual. We also had the happiness of welcoming a number of our friends from the Metropolitan Community Church of Philadelphia. Our discussions and stories with them were wide and varied and enjoyed by all.

And naturally, most of us were decked out in all our Christmas finery - formals and all! From the number of pictures taken, one could easily be convinced that the PHI Chapter has stock options with Kodak, Polaroid or Fuji.

As usual, we also had a number of our wives on hand to help with the picture taking. It was real nice to meet Helga, Linda's wife from Delaware. "PeeWee", Lora's wife from Philadelphia was on hand aiding a number of us in caring for our hair in a most professional manner.

It's also a custom with the PHI Chapter, to have a 'Polly-Anna' during the Christmas party. We're all expected to bring a present, place it under the tree, and later in the evening exchange gifts with each other. This event, like all events associated with the PHI Chapter, went off as smoothly as clockwork.

And then -- would you believe it -- "Pumkin time" again!!

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NORTHEAST PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER

Kathy Hivish, P.O. Box 268, Dallas Pa. 18612

To make it as easy as possible for you to visit us during the holidays (if the meeting dates conflict with your coming), we'll be happy to arrange another date. We'll have our tree up by mid-month and through our January meeting. Its a great opportunity for some photos in a Christmas setting, Just give me a jingle or drop me a note.

PATIENCE AND PERSEVERANCE: That's the name of my latest story that details many growth experiences I've had since my modeling article last year this time. I just got my proofs of my portrait sitting back to the photographer. It'll be 2 or 3 weeks till I get 'em back. If you'd like a copy, just drop me a note requesting same. There's no charge. I'll even include a wallet sized photo of my portrait sitting so you can see who publishes this newsletter each month.

MY FIRST FORMAL: Super experience! On November 18th I was fitted in the festive teal Caftan I'm having made. Forgive my ego, but it's absolutely stunning on my 6'6" frame. The seamstress pinned the hem, sleeves, etc. and promised to have it ready for our December 4th meet. You'll appreciate this. I hadn't eaten all day and being a bit nervous (who wouldn't be), I took a weak spell on the dias, which is surrounded by light bulbs ala Hollywood. I broke out in a sweat, but after sitting a few minutes, was ready to continue. It was a rather typical feminine reaction, not to say that guys don't get weak spells too, as the owner mentioned several brides to be have fainted too. While there, I also selected a cocktail dress with folds to cut down my height. If anyone is interested in having something made, I'll be happy to inquire for you.

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SUCCESS CHAPTER

Susan Armstrong, P.O. Box 1601, Pinellas Park, 33565

(The big news for the Success Chapter is their 'Daytona Beach Outing'. This was a big event, and is being given special attention in the "Special Events" section of the Tapestry.)

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WINDY CITY CHAPTER

Sharon Hart, P.O. Box 2312, Chicago Il 60690

November

A happy group of 35 attended the most recent 5th meeting at the Lite Factory. After a short business meeting our guest speaker, Ralla Klepak spoke and answered questions for over an hour. Ms Klepak prsented Sharon with a check for $100 to establish and partially stock a library for the Chapter. We'll put the money to good use and have a lending library of books, magazines and articles of interest to the crossdresser and transsexual.

A happy group of 35 attended the meeting at the Lite Factory. After a short business meeting our guest speaker, Dr. Norton B. Knopf, Ph.D., spoke and answered questions for 45 minutes. He was so impressed by both the meeting and the group that he stayed for the great show put on by the girls of the Lite Factory.

Charlotte Biris, a therapist from St. Charles, and a GGA Professional Associate, was also in attendence and plans to return on a more or less regular basis.

Danny, our resident lingerie salesman, presented his usual assortment of lovely things as door prizes. Here's a lingerie salesman who <u>really</u> travels in lady's underwear -- the poor thing.

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SAN JOSE CHAPTER

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The September meeting started slowly but gathered momentum with many of the attendees staying until almost one in the morning. It was really a fantastic meeting with Marilyn, Shannon and Leslie from Palo Alto, Rose from Salinas, Anna Maria from Aptos and Kristian from Aberdeen Washington. Gerry, as always presenting an attractive image in a yellowish 2 piece skirt suit. Michelle managed to swing a night off to grace the hall with her presence. I know I've missed several, but I'll try and do better remembering names and faces the next time. Clare, as usual, was the latecomer. Oh, thanks for the cookies Marilyn.

The dinner party in October was absolutely fabulous as those thirty who attended can attest. The food was superb, the service outstanding and the accomodations were marvelous. Mary, the owner, provided a carafe of wine for every four members of our party. Marily, our resident 'Veggie', ordered a Vegetarian Plate and remarked, not once but several times, 'Those vegetables were super".

After dinner most of the guests adjourned to the piano bar for after dinner libations and some live entertainment.

Everyone attending the Dining Out had an absolutely marvelous time and it was suggested several times that "we've got to do this again -- soon." How about it, would you like to 'do this again' every two or three months? It's great way to meet people you haven't met before and to renew old aquaintances.

We really must thank Clare for setting-up this lovely evening

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SAN FRANCISCO CHAPTER

GGA, Box 62283, Sunnyvale Ca 94088

From the number of calls coming into the office it's obvious that the Labor Day holiday threw many people's calendar off by a week. Calls from irate members wanting to know "why the Church was locked up last night" have been flooding in. The explanation that they were a week late for the meeting turned many faces red and caused a

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lot of throat clearing. None the less, the meeting was a good one. Too bad so many of you missed it.

Our Fashion Show night was well attended and certainly appeared to be a success. The wine, supplied by several members, flowed like and the edibles disappeared quickly. The "Sacramento Foursome" was reduced to a threesome of Chriss, Bonnie and Janet. Betty again ventured across the Bay Bridge from the hinterlands, and Bernice, the first Treasurer of our old GGG/G organization made it in from Fairfield for the first time in almost three years. It was marvelous to see and talk to her again after such a long absence.

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SAN ROSA CHAPTER

Our first meeting was held on October 1st. Eight ladies attended so this newest GGA Chapter is off to a good start. The Main Office has sent our Chapter Charter Certificate and it will be on display at future meetings. Our meetings are at 8pm every other Friday. Call Maria at 707-575-1967 for specific detail and location of the meeting place.

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NORTHWEST CHAPTER
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The winter season of the year is upon us. It is a time of warm fires, crisp cool weather, big turkey dinners and the traditional holiday of Christmas. With Christmas comes love, good will and those happy, warm Christmas parties.

Our November 10th meeting at the Embers was attended by 14 people; one a visitor from Seattle, Carolyn by name. It was a nice relaxed evening of conversation and pictures were taken by some who attended.

Lynette, our organizing lady in Seattle has been doing a terrific job in trying to get the Washington State girls active socially as we are here in Portland. We wish her luck and hope she will have enough girls next time and in the months ahead to possibly hold a joint meeting with us down here someday.

Our Christmas party held on the 18th was all we had expected it to be. We are sure all who attended had a wonderful time. It was certainly a fitting climax to our first enjoyable year as the Northwest Chapter of the Gateway Gender Alliance. We owe a debt of gratitude to our hostess Jenni for her warm hospitality and unselfish efforts in offering her home to us. We also wish to thank all of the ladies who attended the party for their support. It is appreciated.

1982 was a fine year for our chapter. We have 33 active dues paying members now. Our advertising for new members appears in many associated publications across the country in addition to our local newspaper advertisements. It portrays us as a viable and active group. We have been able to sponsor at least one meeting per month and have held several nice dinners and other parties, not to mention all of the wonderful guest speakers that have donated their time to us this past year. All of these factors should induce many new members to join our group in 1983. Again, "Thanks" to all of you for your efforts.

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SOCIETY FOR THE SECOND SELF NATIONAL REPORT
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(Editor's note: Unfortunately we do not have a recent copy of Tri Ess' national newsletter 'Femme Mirror', so we are unable to give you an up-to-date report on Tri Ess' activities, and the activities of its chapters. The following report was edited from the Chi Chapter's newsletter 'The Chi Tribune'.)

CHI CHAPTER
Mary Ann Broer, P.O. Box 2055, Des Plaines Il 60018

For our October meeting we were still in our motel accomodations, with our usual suite. As special guest that evening, we had Kim DuPray with her friend Barbara. Kim is engaged in electrolysis, cosmetics, body wrapping to 'firm' the skin, and nail wrapping and manicuring. Kim gave a short talk on electrolysis and body wrapping, followed by a question and answer period, and concluded with a practical demonstration of manicure services she has available using three "volunteers" from those present. We were very happy to have had Kim with us.

For our November meeting we were still in our motel accommodations, with our usual suite. Mary Ann presented a draft of a 1983 'Calendar" of meeting dates, which would allow individual members to make their plans in advance, as well as allow the Chapter to schedule special guests for specific meeting nights. The only major change was to adjust the date of our October meeting so as not to conflict with Fantasia Fair.

Our special guest for the evening, Ariadne Kane, was introduced and spoke to us about the activities of the Outreach Institute, future plans, etc. She also introduced our own Naomi and Janna as Chairwomen of that organization.

Wow, what a Christmas-time affair our December meeting was this year! This was one of the best attended Christmas events in the history of CHI Chapter. Special thanks to the wives and girlfriends who attended. We really appreciate them being with us; it adds so much to our social well-being, and feeling of understanding acceptance. Plus, we really like having them with us! As this was a social evening, we did not have a formal meeting. Since this was the Christmas season, we decided that the buffet refreshments should be catered to avoid undue burden on our hostesses. However, Gerry and Linda still did themselves proud with an astounding display of appetizers. Many thanks to both of them for their special efforts, as well as making their home available to us for our Holiday gathering.

By the time you receive this newsletter, both Christmas and New Year's day will have passed, and we will have entered into 1983. In the first issue of our newsletter each year we take a moment to look backward, then forward. Our national organization is continuing to grow, with more members being added on an almost daily basis. With national advertising, and most particularly through the efforts of each individual member, individuals are being encouraged to leave the closet and join with Tri-Ess and local Chapters. Locally, CHI Chapter improved again in both interest and participation in the last twelve months, with attendance at our monthly meetings continuing at an all time high. We have grown so much that we have had to continue to meet in motel conference rooms, since the size of the Chapter now exceeds the capabilities of most of our members' private homes. CHI Chapter has placed ads in an "underground" Chicago newspaper, and we are receiving regular responses. Although all of those who reply are not serious, or are not "our type," many of them are serious TVs and go through the national membership process and join our Chapter. We have met many new friends, but sadly lost one of the most regular and steadfast members of the Chapter during 1982: Mitzi. People may say that CHI Chapter is good, bad, or indifferent; but, it is still there (and has been since the mid 60's). And, we expect to continue in the future as we have in the past! So, another year has passed into history. What does the future hold for CHI Chapter, and Tri-Ess Sorority? Although it is repetitious, we continue to hold the same hope that it will further increase our national and Chapter membership, to help open more of those "locked doors" which we all know so well; we hope it holds the promise of all of us continuing to work together in harmony for our common good; and we hope it holds the promise of continuing to be an active and progressive organization. Do you have these same hopes? Let's see what we can do together in 1983!

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HALCYON SOCIETY

Occupant, Box 143, North Kingston RI 02852

November - December

Halcyon has been doing pretty well for itself. Our membership has been keeping themselves busy with everything from deer hunting in Maine to hot air ballooning! No matter what may hold our interest however, you'll still find us all together come the beginning of the month ready and eager for fun of a different kind.

Although somewhat low-keyed, our November meeting saw the christening of our combination boutique/playroom located in Rhonda's basement. At the present time, we have enough clothing to fill up two nine foot racks and between us all, every stitch must have been modeled that night! A bulletin board has also been placed for anyone who wishes to use it for whatever. The highlight of the past many weeks though was our Gala Christmas Party on the fourth of December in Providence. Fourteen of Halcyon's best answered the invitation and provided such surprises as seeing Paula Neilsen and Jennifer Miller once again, Barbara Holden, a long time friend and associate of Hartford's XX Club; Ralph Detri with his girlfriend Jean and two newcomers to the Society, Tom and his very nice wife Beth from Providence. The evening itself may have started off in the dark having blown a couple of electrical fuses, but the lights did not stay out very long and a party mood was soon very much apparent. Before going any further, I want to give a word of thanks to Rhonda for her excellent job of cooking for the occasion. Santa Claus sent his regrets in hot being able to attend - something about taking care of last minute details for his Christmas Eve ride - still he sent us two very "pleasant smelling" gifts which were raffled off towards the end of the evening. Our congratulations to Jaime and Barbara for winning this year's doorprizes. Good health and happiness to everyone who helped make our party such a success.

January

Over the past many months, we have heard a number of times how difficult it is for some to come out and join us on Saturday nights. Starting in February, we are going to try offering an alternative for those of you who are affected by this circumstance. For those of you who are not, you'll have the opportunity to get together with friends more often. Besides our regular first Saturday meetings, we are going to try a third Sunday afternoon schedule as well in hopes of increasing our ranks a bit. All standing house rules will remain the same and attendance fees will be modified for those of you wanting to attend both days. Give us a call and make plans to join the fun soon. Relax and enjoy yourselves!

January's meeting was well attended for a little impromptu retirement party given for Betsy. Joining us at Rhonda's that evening was Ramona, Paula, Jaime, Joanne, XX Club's Barbara and Sue, Ralph and his lovely friend Tish, and Sharon Lee who drove up from Groton Ct for the occasion. Welcome aboard Sharon! We enjoyed having you with us. Good company, relaxing atmosphere and a sense of belonging, that is what Halcyon is all about!!

With hopes of this letter reaching you in time, the Society will be traveling once again to Wardrobes by Carolyn in Melrose Ma. this coming Sunday for a little shopping and dinner afterwards. - Janet

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XY CLUB

P.O. Box 6070, Station "A", Hartfort Ct 06106

We had a very pleasant time at the Thanksgiving and Christmas Buffets.

The Thanksgiving Buffet was highlighted by Sarah and Steve sharing with us their past. At this time we also presented Canon Jones with his birthday gift of two tickets to the Hartford Symphony Orchestra's and the Hartford Chorale's presentation of Handel's Messiah.

At the Christmas Buffet, Gordon was the winner of the drawing - one gallon of Sangria. A Chrismas gift certificate in the amount of $25.00 for G. Fox & Co., was given to Canon Jones.

Since the scheduled second meeting for December, the fourth Saturday falls on December 25th. Naturally, we will not have a meeting.

In the past, we've succeeded in bringing to the Club many good happenings and events. However, 1982 was not a very flourishing year, due mainly to a slight decrease in membership and thus, a decrease in funds available. We have, therefore, decided to increase the fee for full membership to $15.00 annually and Associate membership fee to $7.00 annually. It will cost anyone wishing to be on the mailing list $3.00. These increases will enable us to invite guest lecturers and to have bigger and better social functions. Due are payable January 1st. If you are in a rough financial situation, please contact Shalon as soon as possible for an extension.

1983 should be an exciting year! Watch for upcoming events! They should be rewarding experiences for everyone! -Shivhon

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HARRIET LANE'S TV SET

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(The following report has been edited from both Harriet Lane's 'Party Time' and from the 'Ct TV Newsletter', published by T.M.R., P.O. Box 8762, New Haven Ct 06531)

Well as the fall & winter seasons come of age and more TVs are venturing out of the closet and into the shadows of night (thank heaven eastern daylight savings time has gone), attendance at our parties has decreased; we would like to know why!!! Do you think that if I put an ad in the Advocate advertising for girls who are interested in meeting nice TVs would help? We do have many new faces and some past ones that we have not seen for a long period, but we want more of you to attend. So please give us some feedback. For those of you that have not made it yet out of the closet to the TV world, I feel sad that all the good times we've had this past summer and early fall you've not been a part of expressing your femme self. So many parties of our own and other clubs that a group of us attended out of state, that I really don't know where to begin. However lets start with the CUTE "N" CUDDLY party in May which was a huge success thru the efforts of the beautiful and gracious owner "Crescence" and her models. Many TVs bought and modeled the exotic lingerie. She now opened a store at 305 East Main St., Clinton Ct. and she will now take after hours appointments for makeup and lingerie. She has men's night starting Dec. 3rd at 8:30. Where models will model the lingerie and you can pick what you like. She has extra extra large sizes for all of you big girls like me. Thank you Andrea and Sanoy (real GGs) for the modeling that you girls did that night to make it a huge success. They are from THE EVERGREEN in Hartford and all the other girls - Shirley, Joan, Lori, Marni, Donna and the rest of our group that attended. Cute N Cuddly again came on the 27th and had another big hit with our group. By the way Crescence is now living with one of our TVs. You can reach her for an appointment at 469-3343.

Tiffany Weekend in Provincetown, Cape Cod, which we attended, was a great time with our dear sisters from Boston and all over the U.S.A. That was the weekend when the rain never stopped. However, that did not stop us from dressing and going to lounges, nite clubs, and dinners in drag. The townspeople were just great and of course all our dear TV friends, some of whom we had not seen in years. To show you the type of time we had, I'll take an excerpt from a letter written to Merissa Sherrill Lynn of Tiffany, who by the way was in charge and did a wonderful job of keeping it all together on a real wet weekend, from Malinda Anderson (Wi.), and I quote, "I wish to thank the following people, in particular, for making the 'Gala Weekend' so enjoyable. To Aunt Harriet (me) Rusti and her contingent from Ct. for showing me the proper way to party!" Enough said - next our trip to Tiffany for their Open House and

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Clam Bake - two different parties - to say the least Merissa's group is dedicated to the TV scene and their parties are superb!! At the clam bake, steamers, clams and lobsters were served and we all munched til we were totally full! Many TVs that I've known for years were there for both affairs and we had a great time talking about old escapades.

Diane and My birthday parties were a lot of fun as was our summer picnic. But the best was the ERIC THE RED and Halloween; all the different costumes and the many people who dressed in red outfits. It was a real turn on for all.

For those of you not too adept with makeup and hair, we have two live-in beauticians who can help you to achieve the best in cosmetic beauty. Margo and Dianell are both experienced in this field and will give consultation for a $10 fee. Margo has the Avon and Lady Finelle line of cosmetics that she sells to our ladies here at the club. The makeup is so easy to use and remove that you owe it to yourself to make a date with her during the week and experiment her talents.

Our congratulations to Debbie Ryder, Editor on her TV newsletter which just had its second printing and is very enlightening to our world. For those of you wishing to receive it, you may write: P.O. Box 9862, New Haven Ct 06531. The paper is devoted to such scenes a B/D, infantilism, water sports, fetishes, stories of these subjects, and personal ads.

Also in our future parties there will be a photographer to take posed pictures, pocketsized or 8X12 black and white or color for a nominal fee - in your feminine attire.

In the past year I have stocked our bar for those that did not bring their own bottle and I have lost my butt by doing it. So I have turned the bar over to Rusti to run as she probably has a better pouring hand than I. Drinks are now a $1.25 donation and if you don't bring your own setups she will charge you accordingly. Best of luck doll!!

While I am very willing to devote my time, home, energy and reputation to this club, it can only survive by support throughout the year with attendance and membership. We need you as much as you need us. We want you to enjoy and not be embarrassed at our parties. If anything bothers you about our affairs please give us feedback that is the only way we can know about your feelings. We cannot please everybody but like straight society - the majority rules! Write or phone or tell me when you attend a party and we will try to make the atmosphere as pleasant as the majority wants it!

Well not much more to say so I'll just close it down and hope to see you at the up coming parties.

- Your loving sister, Harriet Lane

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ALBANY TVIC REPORT

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(Edited from Albany TVIC's 'TVIC Journal')

November

Hi Folks:

A small group here last night to be with one another. The girls were: Joan, Alice, Winnie, Cheryl, Gloria, Yvonne and Vickie, Sue, Sharon, Dennie and Michelle Ann, Priscilla and Betsy, Wilma and I. A nice small group who filled in their evening by being nice and friendly. I am glad the girls were good to Gloria as this was the first time for her here. It only took Gloria three years to finally make her first appearance. By the end of the evening she was a very relaxed girl. Glad to have you with us Gloria.

Last night was a good night for Pricilla, as it was the first time for Betsy's visit with us. Betsy is the Better half of the family. I was very happy to see and talk with her, as she is a very pleasant person to talk with. I only hope we have in some way been a little helpful to her in her trying to understand why the girls have to dress.

Good to see our girls from Albany are in the first place catagory when it comes to taking prizes when they go to Fantasia Fair. Priscilla came home with the title of 'Ms Cinderella of 1982'. Her gift was a medal on chain. Good going girls.

Well good night for tonight. Hope to see you all for the Xmas Party.

Love to all - Helen

December

Hi Girls:

As you all know last night was our Xmas Party and really a good turnout. With 5 cancellations we still had 26 Guests.

The meal was roast fresh ham, mashed potatoes, gravy, rhutabagas, butternut squash, corn, vegetable garden pie, baked spinach, apple sauce, relish tray, home baked rolls, Xmas coffee and cake.

After the meal we had our grab bag game. There was lots of fun with the girls taking a present from one another, a lot of laughs. It seems each year gets better than the last.

It seems Karen was more at ease as Flo was with him. Maybe we will see more of these two at future meetings. We were surprised to see Joan here as she had just suffered a heart attack last week, could it be the thought of missing the Xmas party made her recover fast?

Eileen & Pricilla were on radio trying to explain how their children felt towards their father when he was dressed. The questions were when should you tell your children, at what age and how do you go about telling them so that they can understand the difference.

Karen had been here before when Vonda was here, but last names were not mentioned. Well last night someone mentioned Karen's last name and would you believe it sent Vonda into a panic. She told Sue that Karen was her brother. Sue brought her into the kitchen to me, she was shaking crying. So I asked Karen about it and yes they are half brother & sister. They have the same father, different mother. They hadn't seen each other since childhood. Something new always seems to happen here.

Last month Gloria made the statement that she would have to make all new friends, but we told her no, you keep all your friends and make new ones in the family of cross-dressers and enjoy your life the way you should. There is no reason to give up your friends because you are a TV. You just keep your TV life a private one. No one has to know about it unless you want to tell them about it, and if you do be sure you are ready to take the ridicule you will get from them and all the talk that you are sick to do what you are doing. It will be just as hard for you to accept their answers as it is hard for them to understand what you do. Being a TV is not an easy life to live, there are always problems such as - will I be accepted for what I am? There is always some place for you to go if you conduct yourself properly and act as a lady should. Don't forget in this day and age people are unpredictable. They can't see life as you do.

I know I accept my husband for what he is and help him and his friends as much as I can. We are both on in years and the day will come when I retire and things here may come to a standstill. For some of the TV's life will be hard as they enjoy coming here knowing they can relax and be with friends. I have been asked why do I have the TVs here and treat them as I do. Well my answer is a simple one. I love my husband, I accept her for what she is. She accepts my friends and I in turn accept her friends. I find they are no different than our straight friends.

There is no reason why we can't be sociable and have each other's friendships just because they dress. They all have been good to me, and they have never given me a problem and special occasions like my birthday I get some beautiful cards, and at Christmas time they are so nice they gring a gift. So you see it works two ways, life is only what you make it. I cannot tell the wives they have to accept such a life, but I am proof that if you look at this with an open mind and without fear that your neighbors will talk, you can make your home life a happy one for all; you will see an overall improvement in your husband's disposition when he knows you do not begrudge him his second way of life. I know where there are children it is hard

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to do, but somehow you can work it out so no one is hurt. Life is short, so try to get all the happiness out of it you can.

Good night - take care and have a merry Christmas and a happy New Year. Love, Helen

January

Hi Girls:

Boy - What a night over 24" of snow. I didn't expect to see any of the girls but 12 did show up.

For dinner we had baked ham, mashed potatoes, corn, peas, wax beans, asparagus, creole gravy, spiced cranberry jello mold salad, rolls, bread, butter, cake and coffee. Being a small group we sat around the table and enjoyed the meal and were able to talk in a group. My thanks to the girls for their help in the kitchen. The girls didn't stay too late as they didn't know what conditions the roads were in to get home. I do hope everyone got home all right.

Until next month behave yourself and stay healthy and happy. Goodnight for now. Love, Helen

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SUE HALL REPORT

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(Edited from Sue Hall's 'Mini-Skirt News')

Hi All:

Please make note that the office will be closed between Dec. 10th and Dec. 23rd as we will be in Jamaica doing a giant show with the Wallendas.

Our project here is off to a good start and while we are in Jamaica two more rooms will be put on to the office. We want to thank you members who have responded to our plea for help in our investment plan. It is a good no risk plan and we sure hope a lot more of you get in on it as we sure need your help. If each member would invest at least a $100.00 or more we could build an empire here for you. But we know all of you are just not able to and that is why the ones who are sending in a $1000.00 or more are making up the difference. Even the small $10 &20 donations are all helping. Thank you! Please keep it coming in.

Remember the office is still open on Mondays from 11am to 3pm and at night from 8:30pm till...? and our new $10 min. is working out very well. Come on get your sexy clothes and come over and join the fun. Also any other time if you are going to be in the area give a call and if we are here you can stop on in.

Well got to save space for other news, Happy Holidays to all from us all here at the office. Love, Sue Hall

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PARADISE CLUB REPORT

P.O. Box 24363, Cleveland Oh 44124

(Edited from Paradise Club's newsletter 'Paradise Tales')

How time flies! It seems like it was only several weeks ago that we began our 1982 season and here we are, getting ready for the last party of the year. But every cloud has a silver lining. After our annual Christmas party we can look forward to another great year of Paradise activities.

Our Halloween party was another great success. We had a great turnout of 32 people, 23 TVs and TSs plus 9 GGs. Another great meal was arranged by Chris and prepared and delivered on time by the caterer.

The regular business meeting was, of course, the election of new officers for the year of 1983. The nominating committee could not find a member who wanted Renee's position as President, so Renee agreed to continue for another year in her present position as our Fearless Leader and was elected unapposed. A very wise decision on her part. However, Renee also announced that this would be her last year as President of Paradise. She said that she will always continue to be a very integral part of Paradise, but she feels that three years in the position is enough for anyone. The nominating committee is going to have a tough time next year to come up with a person who has the ability to fill Renee's high heeled slippers. We had two great years under Renee and we are looking forward to a third great year.

And now to the position of Secretary. I felt that I have had this position long enough. Ever since Paradise s formed over five years ago I have been actively involved. At first I helped Julia organize and plan the parties, make arrangements with the motel and the caterer, etc., and then when we formally organized and selected officers, I agreed to take the dual role of Secretary-Treasurer. Last year Chris agreed to take part of the burden upon her shoulders and relieved me of the duties of Treasurer. This year I feel that it is time for someone else to become actively involved in the organization, so the committee came up with Kathy O'Connor. No one opposed her, so Kathy, you are it. Good luck to you as our new Secretary. I have enjoyed my work and I hope this will be my last newsletter, but the next one should be better. Kathy is a good writer, so I know that she will put out a much better newsletter than I have.

So there you have it, folks. Our new officers for 1983 will be Renee, Cheryl and Kathy. They will have a difficult job in 1983 to expand Paradise and to exceed the year we had in 1982. We reached a new high in membership, with 55 dues paying members. We exceed 30 people at each meeting and reached a new plateau with 46 people at our August meeting. We have a very nice place to meet in and a party room that will hold all of us comfortably. We have an excellent Caterer everyone enjoys the hot meals provided. But I have every confidence that Renee, Cheryl and Kathy will provide a program that will exceed the one we had in 1982. Good luck to all of you. - Norma

January

HAPPY NEW YEAR! The unseasonably warm northern Ohio winter has been wonderful for those of us who like to wear our skirts as short as possible (sorry about that, skiers!) Entering a brand new year is like starting a new chapter of a book: the memories of prior happenings fuel our anticipation of things to come. So it is with Paradise and 1983. By almost every standard, the past year has been our most successful. We have permanently moved to a bigger and better meeting place, our membership rolls are at an all time high and our activities were more extensive, informative and entertaining than ever. Without a doubt, Renee will have a most difficult time topping her past record. Have no fear! Our intrepid leader has been hard at work for some time, preparing an expanded program for the new year. As soon as possible, details will be provided in these pages, so stay tuned!

CHRISTMAS PARTY BIG SUCCESS: It was a big challenge for Cheryl, our new treasurer to have the gala Christmas party as her first event to hostess. To no one's surprise, it was a delightful affair. The atmosphere was enhanced by our first tree, a large, beautifully decorated fir, provided by the motel, the holiday tabelclothes supplied by Meg, Cheryl's wife, the brightly decorated packages brought for our gift exchange, but most of all by the simply gorgeous dresses and gowns worn by our members, wives and guests throughout the evening. Some of the outfits were simply spellbinding! To attempt just to describe them would take volumes, but special kudos to Jand from Ft. Wayne, who made the stunning pantsuits she modeled.

twenty-nine people helped make the party a success. A special hello to Carol Miller, as this was her first meeting and to guests Kay Gould and Kathy from New York City. Kay, from California, is well known and a regular writer for the Transvestian.

ELAINE ON CLEVELAND TV: Anyone watching TV 3 on Cleveland on Wednesday night, January 5 would have seen a picture of Elaine featured in the promos for "The Dave Patterson Show", currently the top rated local program on the 9:00 AM weekday slot.

The next day's topic was transvestism and Elaine was interviewed with Sherelynn Lehman, the family sex therapist and a good friend to Paradise.

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Sherelynn and Dave opened the show by introducing the topic to the audience. Sherelynn spoke of TV's as being "everyday sort of people with a need or compulsuion to express their inner feminine feelings". While the causes were unknown, she listed two possibilities: the primary being the result of pre-natal, bio-chemical bigenderal brain development and the secondary cause being the more traditional psychological explanation of maternal identification. Her experience has been mostly with the primary class.

They spoke of Paradise Club as being a combination support, counseling and social group. It was super publicity for us and our address was displayed at one point during the show.

Elaine appeared for the second segment and quickly established herself as a knowledgeable, competant and articulate spokesperson. Her wonderful appearance and calm demeanor created an atmosphere which seemed to put the audience at ease.

She spoke of her early TV history mentioned that until five years ago, she had not met another TV.

Some attention was given to the physical aspects of crossdressing. When asked about body hair, she noted her own electrolysis, but many men had trouble covering the beard. She observed that the most difficult item to conceal is the voice.

The discussion turned to the area of sexuality. Elaine spoke of her own heterosexual orientation and pointed out that some 80% of TVs have been married, a mirror of the national average.

Sherelynn noted that for most wives, a crossdressing husband causes difficulties on many levels. Adjustments and compromises are necessary between spouses.

The final segment was for questions from the studio audience. Most were quite good, including one about the existence of blind TVs (none that Elaine knew of) and one who asked if Elaine was going to get a "transectomy" (No).

Many thanks to Sherelynn Lehman who was instrumental in setting up this show; to Dave Patterson, the host, for his sensitive, thoughtful and low-keyed handling of a subject that has often in the past been exploited for its sensationalism and to Elaine for a job well done. We are proud to have her represent us in the public eye.

Yours, Kathy O'Connor

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CROSSROADS CHAPTER REPORT

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(Edited from Crossroads' newsletter 'Crossroads Chatter')

The Crossroads Chapter has managed to survive for another year as the 28th of December will mark our fifth anniversary. I expect that the chapter will continue to survive at its present level for quite a while longer. By survival, I mean just that -- no new activities beyond those we have now, and little if any expansion of membership or overall mailing list. To insure this survival, I will be needing some help from all of you on the mailing list.

First of all, I need your membership as indication of support for the group and its activities. We finished 1982 with about 80 or so paid members -- there were about 100 more that I only sent meeting announcements to (everyone deserves at least this, I feel); another 150 or so have been receiving a full copy of the newsletter as it has been published at no cost to themselves.

I realize that there are some people who are not financially able to pay for the membership -- genuine hardships will continue to receive the full copy until they are able to pay. Otherwise, I will be adding quite a few names to the "meeting announcement only" list just after the first of 1983. There will be some benefits to dues-paying members -- admission to certain meetings and events will be lower for paid-up members; there are discounts available at other TV events for paid-up Crossroads members. Other discounts will be announced as they are available. The first is our own anniversary party on 8 January; you'll notice that paid members will be admitted for $10.00 and others will be charged $12.00. Paid members for 1982 and/or 1983 are eligible for the discount rate.

As some of you have been aware, we have had a large number of new people contact us within the last couple of months from some publicity in the October issue of Variations. These people (and many others) rely strictly on me for correspondence and advice. It is difficult for me to handle the load and have any kind of life for myself. I need more people to volunteer for the "Correspondents Wanted" section to help me out of this problem -- this includes some of you "old-timers" who have previously listed your address there and could possibly handle a couple more correspondents. I do not have much time and must answer with short notes or force someone to wait too long for an answer.

I can no longer insure the security of our address file that is located in one of Buick's main computer systems. I need to use some sort of word processor to help handle the correspondence and do some of the typesetting for the newsletter. I need to develop some sort of accounting system. The answer to these problems seems to be a personal computer or a secure communications link to another system. If anyone has any ideas as to how we can arrange the finances for this, please let me know.

There are quite a few ideas in mind of how to expand our activities, our services, and the number of people that we are in contact with. All of these ideas will take some cash -- we need your memberships. - Grace Bacon

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UPPER MIDWEST TV NETWORK

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(Edited from the Network's newsletter 'TV Times')

TV DIRECTORY UPDATE: Uh...I'm leaving for vacation without having finished the Upper Midwest TV Directory of Services and Social Opportunities. Still having trouble finding the time for it, but it'll be a top priority when I return.

January

We move into our fourth year of publication with 71 members and 17 hot prospects (folks whose membership recently expired and who will hopefully be back in the fold soon). We also enter'83 with a new subscription rate ($7.00 per year) and a new single-isssue price ($2.00). We also enter at a time when things in the TV/TS world are rather hopping as you'll see.

As most of you know, Tri-S (a.k.a. Society for the Second Self) is a nation-wide social club for heterosexual TVs. Tri Ess has local chapters in many parts of the country, the closest to us being Chi Chapter in Chicago. Its been several years since anyone has tried to start a Tri Ess Chapter in Wisconsin, although the FPE (Foundation for Personality Expression, Tri Ess' predecessor) had a very active Madison-based chapter back in the 1960's.

I'm happy to report that, thanks to Mary, a new initiative is now underway. This coming Saturday Mary will be hosting a Madison party for Tri Ess members and prospective members -- i.e. all hetero TVs who care to attend.

Dee Dailey hosted a rather delightful open TV party at her Waukesha apartment on Saturday, January 14th. I counted 28 folks, mostly from the Madison and Milwaukee areas. It was predominantly TV but also included genetic females, non-TV gay males, a couple of TSs, and TVs from Chicago and Iowa. I think the diversity of the group and the fact that many were meeting for the first time gave the party an especially nice flavor. I've got a batch of photos from the party, but they're still inside my camera. Hope to run some in the next issue of the 'Times'.

Dee is planning another party for Spring, tentatively set for Saturday, May 14th. Why not reserve the date now. The next 'Times' sould have all the details.

- Ruthann Moskowitz

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MOUNTAIN ROSE SOCIETY REPORT

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(Edited from the Society's newsletter 'M.R.S.')

OCTOBER 15th: The first meeting of the month was very well attended by about 15 members and friends. Norm, as usual, was a most gracious host. Many items were discussed with possibly the most important being for all the members to keep communications open. Being the type of organization we are, many things come up quickly and close contact is important. Please keep in touch!

OCTOBER 23rd: This was one of our spontaneous affairs. Brunch at the Den - attended by Jackie, Nancy, Jamie, Gloria, Pat, Laurie, Sabrina, Kathy and Kim. We all stuffed ourselves as usual with good food and friendship. We decided to bring our own spoons next time since the waiter refused Gloria any sharp objects.

OCTOBER 31st: HAPPY NEW YEAR!! Our biggest holiday did not go unnoticed. I'm sure we were all active with Sabrina and Kathy off to terrorize Larimer Square. Gloria, Pat, Jamie, Nancy & Kim went off to a small party of 20,000 thrown by the city of Boulder.

NOVEMBER 6th: Sabrina and Kathy were hostesses for 16 members of the group held at their fun house. About half attended in costume - the rest were generic. Sabrina made up for costumes, however, with her never-ending supply of costumes and portable phone booth. The decorations and food, as usual, were fantastic complete with cobwebs and witches brew. Thanks for a great party!

DECEMBER 19th: Kim, Nancy, Sally, Sabrina, Kathy, Norm, Jamie, Gloria and Pat attended the Snowball held at the Hilton in Denver. A worthwhile affair to raise money for Toys for Tots at Christmas. During intermission it turned into what looked like the first Mt. Rose disco as we took over the dance floor. Needless to say, we all had a good time.

NEW YEARS EVE: Thanks to Gloria & Pat, the New Year arrived in Mt. Rose style. About 15 members braved bad roads and cold temperatures to party in the warmth of their home. Good friendship and good food made the night a real success.

BRUNCH: Sunday, Jan. 9th, found 7 of us having brunch at the Den. The brunch was delayed about 45 min. so they could get a table big enough for us. The wait was very worthwhile since the food, as usual, was terrific.

JANUARY 7th: Meeting at Norm's apartment. As usual our host handled our biggest meeting to date in style. Thanks for having us! This meeting was by far the most productive since the group was formed. Thanks to many people, we have now delegated responsibilitites and have truly become organized.

The group also had the pleasure of hearing a guest speaker, Ms. Ariadne Kane of Boston's Outreach Institute. She is a delightful and very knowledgeable person who spent a week here and socialized with many of us during her stay. Thanks again to Jamie, Sabrina, Kathy, Barb, and others that made her stay enjoyable. I hope she will be back soon for another visit.

That's it for now, lets all keep in touch, a lot will be happening in the next month or so. See you at the meeting. Kim

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C.H.I.C.

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(Edited from the C.H.I.C. CLIPPINGS)

November

Our good friends at ----- have again accepted our reservations for another dinner party. As in the past, there is no doubt that the evening will be a memorable one.

----- has for years been the place to have a fine dinner in the posh community of San Marino.

The attire will be after 5 cocktail dress.

The social hour will begin at 7:00 PM with a no host bar for your refreshment. The dinner will be served at 8:00. Rather than the buffet that we have seen in past years, we will be served by their lovely waitresses.

Dinner will be -----'s famous Prime Rib with all the trimmings.

The Sec/Tres. report showed that we now have a total of 44 members and quite a few applicants in various stages of acceptence.

The position of Professional Advisor was created to assist the Board in interviewing and screening new Professional Members. New Professional applications will be created in the near future.

December

Saturday night at ----- was a huge success. We had the largest attendance that I've seen for quite some time. Except for a few who arrived at the last minute without reservations, the evening went as planned.

The Prime Rib was delicious as we all knew it would be.

We would like to thank Dr. ----- for the book review he gave us on the latest T.V. oriented book. It was quite interesting and entertaining. Now we know what book not to buy. Thank you.

FROM OUR PAST PRESIDENTS PEN: There have been, traditionally, even constitutionally, three "thrusts" in our organization. Three items professed by us at open houses, at university classes & professional meetings as CHIC's reason for being; 1) a social meeting place; 2) to help each other and our families and 3) to educate others.

Perhaps it is time for a number 4) to encourage improvement! We're not snobs. We've been accused of it because we have attracted a membership that has been interested in not just getting out of the closet, but getting out of the house, getting out of a closed meeting and getting out into society; into classrooms; into some of the nicest hotels and restaurants in Los Angeles; into relationships with other people, teachers, professionals and each other. We want to be proud of ourselves, our appearance and presentation and of each other.

So! Why don't we make it official? or if we don't want to tackle a constitutional amendment, at least semi-official; Let's encourage improvement; let's even make it mandatory; let's tell the world (and new applicants) that you can't be a CHIC member if you don't want to be good; because it's possible, for all of us! We've seen it happen to the best of us. We've seen the worst of us become the best of us. Let's all try to be excellent.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL.

Our Christmas party will be a semi-formal cocktail party at -----.

Party time will be 8:00 PM on Saturday, Dec. 11

This will give you time to have dinner where ever you wish, then drop by -----'s for Champagne and Hors d'oeuvres.

What Christmas party would be complete without exchanging gifts. Let's all bring a $5.00 gift so that nobody is left out.

January

Once in a while CHIC sees an unusually large turnout for one of our parties. This years Christmas Party was just such a night. The room was decorated nicely and the champagne was just right. We saw some new faces and some that we have missed for quite some time. We were happy to see all of you. I was only sorry to see that the party broke up so early. After all, at 1:00 AM the evening is just beginning.

A special thanks to ---- for making her Rec Room available again and to her efforts to make the party such a success.

----- has graciously opened her lovely home for our JANUARY 29 Social get together. The party is to begin at 8:00 PM and will continue into the wee hours.

Attire will be California Casual so that we all may enjoy a comfortable evening.

The club will furnish Hors d'oeuvres and mixer. Bring your own preferred liquid refreshment.

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MISC.

TRANVESTITES A MONTREAL
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(Edited from TAMs & tissues)

November

Well here we are again, but this time we have some good news to report. We have a new Executive composed as follows:

Membership Co-ordinator	Brenda
Newsletter Editor	Roger
External Affairs	Christina-welcome back
Co-ordinator	David--who else

We have been going through a busy period and virtually no one to help me until now with the honorable exception of Brenda. Now we are finally getting some help from our members such as Laura who is now writing some articles, Roger who is going to take this magazine off my hands starting with the next issue so please send him your articles etc., Christina has decided to return and help with our relationships with our sister groups everywhere because I've been a bad boy or girl and have not answered all my letters as yet--sorry especially Tiffany Club--we can still use more help such as what is happening in your local area. You can be our correspondent or whatever you can do we can use it.

Our meetings since we switched to Thursdays have been great so this will be our permanent meeting time, i.e. the last Thursday of every month with the odd exception like Christmas. A few girls went to the Halloween Dance with 2500 other costumed people and had a nice time. Some went to see the Rocky Horror Contest at the Seville Theater. We hope to have more social functions in the new year and a Christmas New Year's Party--anyone want to host?

We have received many requests for Associate membership and we have sent out the necessary info. Remember to make the money orders or cheques payable to D. Cassidy. If not they will be returned to you.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all

Kisses Dave

January

Well we start the New Year on a very hopeful note. As you may know, the place where we are meeting has been sold and we must vacate in February. We have a line on a new place as a temporary location--we should know by our Jan. 27th meeting. However, in order to pay the rent on any new location we need your dues. As this is the start of the New Year all dues are now due. Regular membership fees are $50.00 per year. Associate memberships are $12.00 per year, Supporting memberships for those outside Montreal are $25.00 All the above include a subscription to TAMs and Tissues. Please make all your cheques or Money Orders payable to D. Cassidy. Please support your group no matter where you might live by sending us your fees and letters of support--we need to know who will help us before we can sign on the dotted line.

At our January meeting, the make-up lesson we had planned for the Dec. meeting will take place, so bring your make-up kits. Suggestions for up-coming meetings would be appreciated.

After our Dec. get together, some of us went to Le Gemeux on 1162 Ste Catherine east. The spectacle was headlined by Dominique. The reveu was quite enjoyable. The two stars did a great job but their supporting cast needs a little polishing. We intend to do these outings more often after meetings or as special events.

Our meetings are the last Thursday of the month--phone GAY INFO for the location or me.

Dave

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I had a patient named Blaine
Whose habits were really arcane
He rode to the hounds
In the frightfulest gowns
Equestrian, yes, but insane.

For those who may not have heard of it several awards were made in 1982 to tv's.

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In literature the award went to Marsha Mallow for her two books published in 1982. The first "The Rise And Fall Of The Male Organ" was hailed as a look in the right direction. It was read into the Congressional Record. The second book "Is There Life After Orgasm" is in it's fifth printing. Of 100 readers polled, 97 were of the opinion "Not much."

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The Noble Prize went to Sally Muchenfutch for her work in the field on mathematics. Using a very complicated formula Sally showed that if all the energy used by tv's during masturbation in 1982 could be in one place at one time, it would have been possible to move a Pyramid from Egypt to Rhode Island in one piece.

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The "one Size Fits All" condom was a failure. Users complained that it either fell off during use or cut off circulation causing acute headaches and fainting.

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Thanks to the exposure given "The Raunchy Sisters" (the two-piece all-girl band) by The Tiffany Club, the girls have cut a hit record. The melody written by Jony and the lyrics by Dee Dee, entitled "I gave You Love And You Gave Me Herpes."

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In the field of Cryogenics the award goes to Belle Ringer who, at the age of twenty-three has had herself frozen with instructions not to be thawed out until cross-dressing becomes legal.

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HAPPY 1983 TO EVERYBODY

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NON—FICTION

THE XX (TWENTY) CLUB STORY

Compiled 1/83 by Shivhon Richard

The XX Club has its roots dating back some 15 years ago, in the offices of The George W. Henry Foundation. Seeing a need arising from the counceling services offered by the Foundation, a peer support group of Transsexuals was begun. The first meeting was called for a Saturday afternoon, and thus a handful of people got together to just generally rap about mutual problems, goals, and concerns.

From that early meager group, the Twenty Club has grown in size and scope to its present stage. The Twenty Club is now an incorporated Socio-Educational-Medical-Outreach organization with a non-profit status. The road has not been easy for all; hard times befell many; some simply dropped out, realizing that this is not where they belonged. Other people fell into other area groups where they felt more comfortable with themselves. Some people have had surgery and remained in the club, while others who have had surgery have moved on to new locations and lives. Unfortunately, at least one has become a suicide statistic.

The Twenty Club went on to programing some speaker occasions, and some social events. The Club joined with other minorities, including the Project "H" Committee, and became involved with a Lifestyle Seminar held at the Unitarian Universlist Church. Then the Club joined with the Gay Community in backing the Sexual Preference Bills which came before the Connecticut State Legislature in "76", "77", and "78".

The Club started doing speaking engagements at various colleges. Several members of the Club have taken part in various radio talk shows including a segment of "What's Happening", a video session for WVIT, and for Channel 30 in West Hartford. Then came a spot on "Talk Back New Bedford" with Kady Rodriquez, a talk on WTRC Trinity Radio, and finally a segment on WWUH with the Greater Hartford Coalition of Sexual Minorities.

In June of "78" a new set of by-laws, a charter, and a cosntitution were all drawn up by special committees and consultants. These were passed by the membership and submitted to the Office of the Secretary of the State. The Club thus became a non-profit organization, fully chartered with the Secretary of State and State Attorney General's Office, and operational under a full charter, with a constitution and a complete set of by-laws.

Since "78" the Twenty Club gained active membership in the Harry Benjamin Gender-Dysphoria Association, and became a founding member of the Greater Hartford Coalition of Sexual Minorities. The Club began maintaining refferal lists for local, national, and international clinics, private physicians, electrologists, groups, and social organizations. Transsexual business ventures were referred where applicable. We also maintained referrals for transvestites, transgenderists, androgynists, gays, lesbians, and bisexuals as well as any friends, relatives, or associates of the sexual minorities.

The club sponsored a film on transsexual surgery and a seminar on alternate lifestyles. The Club sponsored speakers who are experts in the field of surgery, psychology, and counseling, and had lectures and visitations from vocational experts, lawyers and legal advisors, sociologists and social workers, writers, and peer group advisors.

In addition to the program of speakers and visitations, the Club now sponsors four major social functions each year. We have rap group formats as well as business formats at our meetings, and get actively involved in peer counseling. Many friendships have developed as well as some strong and long lasting relationships.

The Twenty Club's primary endeavor is to educate all those seeking information on the medical, legal, and personal aspects on transsexualism. Recently, the group has been making an input into the sociological aspect as well. Some of the priorities and programs will more than likely change, as they have in the past, with changes in the Executive Board. New input and ideas, as in all organizations lead to new growth. The Club is non-sexual in nature, but open-minded to an individual's sexual preference. Anyone is welcome to attend, and the meetings are open to all, however, complete anonymity is requested and fully stressed, since many of our members are not known to fellow workers, friends and community, other than in their present identity.

The Club meets on the second and fourth Saturdays of the month at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon. Anyone wishing to attend one of our meetings is asked to contact the Club's advisor at the George W. Henry Foundation at (203)522-2646, or to contact a member of the Club who can furnish further information.

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(EDITOR'S NOTE: Kathy is the Director of the 'N.E. PA. Chapter of the GGA. At 6'6". she is somewhat past petite, but that doesn't stop her from being 'Kathy'. She has been keeping a diary of her experiences. We have been passing on to you the stories of a few of her adventures [including attending a professional modeling school, working in a Mall, etc.]. This report is just one more adventure in the ongoing saga of Kathy Hivish. I hope you enjoy it, and maybe even envy her a little!)

VALUABLE EXPERIENCE

by Kathy Hivish, P.O. Box 268, Dallas PA. 18612

The past several months have provided many growth opportunities, the foremost being my first job as Kath. I was fortunate to land two part-time positions almost simultaneously. One as a waitress at a swank Pocono resort on weekends; the other as a barmaid at an area ski village.

It was experience I sought and experience I'm getting. It's quite different from what we perceive the other world to be. There's the constant having to prove capability, being subjected to general ridicule by men just for being a female and the sub-standard pay and long hours (I would have done it for free for the opportunity to be myself in a work situation.)

So far...so good! It's a tough grind, but every minute of it's a super learning experience. A true to life education in sociology. I've waited on the nicest and worst and hundreds in between.

Tips are an important part of your income. For me it's a game as I guess what each will leave. I've learned that those I felt didn't have it leave more than those you just know are loaded. I've seen men pull out big bills for their kids game room activities and then tip below 15%. Generally, ladies tip better than men.

I give a lot of attention to my tables, maybe too much at times. Overall, I do quite well with tips and receive many service compliments, the highest being when they ask the maitre d' if they can have a table I'm serving the next day. That's success!

Being a barmaid is quite different from waiting tables. There's a whole new set of rules and proper social conduct. The crowds are predominantly single and young. One thing I learned the first day. You've got to be able to go with the punches and not let anything said penetrate your inner sensetivities. In otherwords, swallow hard! You've got to flow with the mood of the crowd. Though some start out quiet, a few of their favorite libations turns them into the kinds you'd rather not know. I was devastated one night when a wisecracker said, "Look at the size of her. She takes care of the NY Jets football team." I fled and cried! My boss heard what happened and followed me into the locker-room. As I regained my composure, she went to have a chat with the party who evoked the comment. His buddies were very apologetic and ushered their friend back to the village. They were back the next night and though I didn't wait on them, I received an envelope with a sizable tip and apologetic note.

For the most part, kibitzing with the guys is fun. I often play matchmaker. After a month, I got to know who's there

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every weekend. Twice I've had offers for dates after hours. Of course I declined. (Gotta get my beauty rest.) I did take a guy up on his offer for a drink at closing one Friday. He just needed someone to talk to. He admitted he'd been eyeing me all night and was attracted to big gals. My drink ended up being 3. "I really must go," I said. "My roommate will be getting worried about me." "A guy?" he queried. "Yepper!" I replied. He shook his head and mumbled "I should have known."

I could go on with dozens of true to life tales. I've come to expect the unexpected. When on duty at night in the ski village, I get to live Kath's fantasy of being a "woman on the make." Heavier make-up, seductive clothes, heels..a touch of class. It all goes with working by the warm glow of the fireplaces in dim lighting.

Comments that have made it all worth while: "Can I take you back to a pub I frequent at home?"*** "I love your outfit. Did you get it around here?"*** "You must tell me your make-up tricks. You look radiant in this lighting"* "You really know how to bring out the best in a guy"*** "Great hair color. What shade is it?"*** "How come you know so much about football?"*** "Are you butch?"*** "What are you standing on?"*** "Those heels must be killing you by now! Why don't you kick 'em off?" (It was near closing and I did) It prompted a table to render Da-Dum-Da.. .David Rose's "The Stripper." Sorry guys!"*** "Dear God! How tall are you?" (5 feet 18 inches)*** "Your hands are so small compared to the rest of you."*** "A 12D shoe! Hey guys, Big Foot's serving us."*** "Will you help me meet that guy over there? I want to make love to him."

(And she did)*** "Can you tell me where I can get some tampons? My weekend's ruined."*** "Kath, move you XXX! You talk too much."*** "I'm coming back here again. You made my weekend." (Maybe I should be an entertainer)*** "Are those your own nails? How do you keep 'em so long?"*** "Did you see Tootsie?" (There's one in every crowd)*** "$4 for a drink! Boy, am I gonna savor this one!"*** "Join us on the slopes when you get off."*** "Will you take me home with you tonight?"

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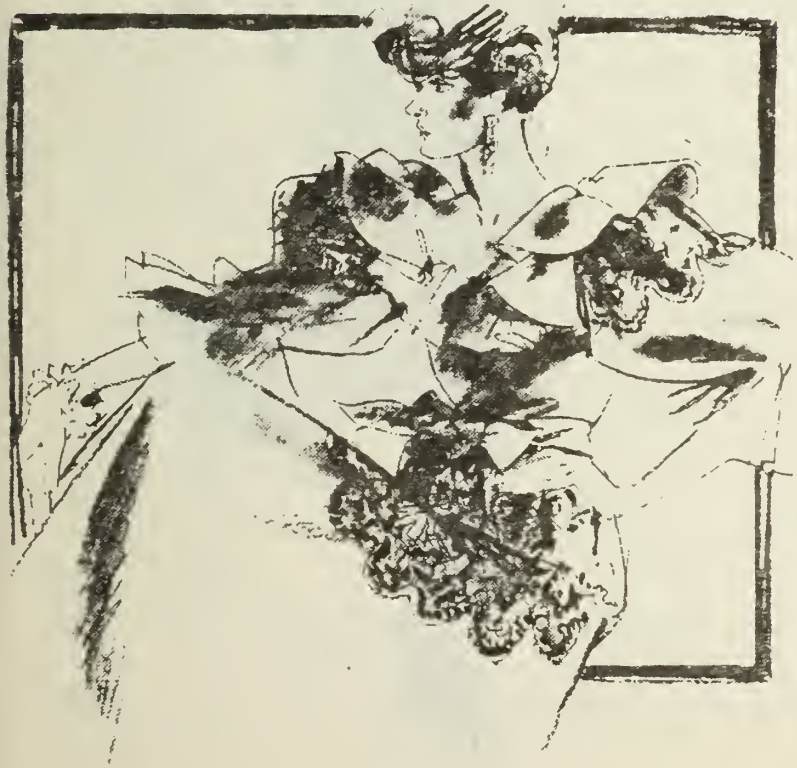

BULLETIN BOARD

TIFFANY'S JUNE WEEKEND - COME EARLY, STAY LATE

Traditionally people start arriving at Tiffany beginning the weekend before, then stay at Tiffany a few days or so after the Weekend before going home. THESE TIMES ARE THE BEST TIME OF ALL, and you are invited!

Basically, Tiffany provides a place to "crash". It is a homelike atmosphere, a place to unwind, feel happy; a place to really develop some friendships. (It is also close to Boston, if you feel like playing the role of a tourist.)

Make your trip to Tiffany's June Weekend a real vacation. Come early, stay late.

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JOYCE DEWHURST'S POCONOS WEEKEND IN MAY

Pat and I will again be attending Joyce's Weekend. Come and join us! We would love to see the lodge loaded with Tiffany's people. It's a great get-away, and a lot of fun. (It's also a good warm-up for June.) Better hurry though, Joyce's cut-off date is April 9.

Contact: Joyce Dewhurst Box 296 Elm "A" Station, Flushing NY 11380 (212)335-3048

Merissa Sherrill Lynn

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TV-TS RAP GROUP

Jo Anne Vigue, of 'The Center For Becoming' would like to invite M-F and F-M pre-op or post-op TSs, and their friends, relatives and interested persons to an informal get-together every Thursday from 7 to 10pm at Suite #1, 7 Davis Sq *(beside Robbin's Smoke Shop, up one flight)* Somerville MA.

Coffee will be served, no drugs, pot or booze!

For information contact: Jo Anne Vigue, 136 Causeway St., Hudson MA 01749, (617)568-0680

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MESSAGE FROM CHIC

We would like to inform you that although CHIC is a closed club oriented towards heterosexual crossdressers in the Southern California area, anyone from out of town who was interested in attending a meeting could call ahead to our Help Line number 6-8pm PST Monday thru Thursday to make arrangements. Otherwise and answering machine is on line to take your calls.

Call: (213)249-2442

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INTRODUCING "FANTASIES IN LACE"

(This information arrived too late to be included in the organization listings)

FANTASIES IN LACE INC. 3608 W. Broward Bvl, Ft Lauderdale FL 33312 (305)581-2366

NATURE: F.I.L. is a social and commercial organization.

SERVICES: Besides their commercial boutique, F.I.L. has weekly socials, and a nation-wide contact club.

SECURITY: Memberships are issued to honest, reliable & discreet people. No drugs, drunks or sex is allowed. All potential members are screened by F.I.L.

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ATTN: WIVES

At Fantasia Fair the Outreach Institute introduced a program exclusively for the wives and fiances of cross-dressers. It was conducted by a highly qualified female Educator and Licenced Clinical Social Worker. No men were allowed to participate. According to the wives who attended, the program was fantastic! (In fact the meeting was so successful the wives requested a follow-up meeting, this time with their husbands the following day.) Apparently a great deal was accomplished to help the spouses better understand the crossdressing phenomena, themselves, and how to cope with the situation.

The Tiffany Club is interested in establishing an on-going program exclusively for wives modeled after Outreach's excellent program. If you might be interested in participating, contact:

Char B. or Bobbi C., c/o Box 19, Wayland MA 01778
or call Merissa Sherrill Lynn at (617)358-5575

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STAMPS STAMPS STAMPS

We average nearly $200 a month in stamps alone. (Newsletters, inquiries, invitations, notices, correspondence, etc. and so on). If you have any excess stamps - a few, a lot, any denomination, send them. We need them. THANKS!

Tiffany Club Box 19 Wayland MA 01778

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INTRODUCING THE ELIZABETH CLUB OF JAPAN

The Elizabeth Club was established for the TV/TS/AN Community in Japan. They offer storage at three locations (Tokyo, Osaka and Nagoya), emphasize friendship and peace of mind, have emplyees that will help with dressing and makeup, and have clothing for rent. They publish a slick magazine that is beautifully illustrated, with many pictures of our lovely sisters in Japan.

Those interested in additional information should contact: Ant Trading Co., Sakata Build., 1-12 Iwamoto-cho, Kanda, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 101 JAPAN

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GGA INFORMATION AND SERVICES DIRECTORY

GGA's Information and Services Directory is the finest directory available. The 1983 Directory is now available to members of GGA for $4, and $6 to all others.

Make check/money order payable to GGA, mail payment to P.O. Box 62283, Sunnyvale CA 94088

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SUE HALL LOOKING FOR INVESTORS

Sue Hall plans to build the largest TV Resort in the world on over 50 acres of land in beautiful Northwest New Jersey.

A few years ago Sue and her investors bought the land and house that is now their office. Last year they, and another partner bought an adjacent 40 acre park. The partner just had some extremely good fortune, and now wants out of the partnership. The 40 acres, worth $150,000, is being offered to Sue for $60,000. Needless to say they want to buy.

Sue Hall has an attractive business arrangement for all people interested in becoming investors. For information contact: Sue Hall, P.O. Box 74, Changewater NJ 07831 (201)689-7216 (11am to 10pm only)

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D.O.A. *(don't take this too seriously)*

As you know, the Delta Omega Alpha Club is out of business due to money problems. However, I still received an application and thought this girl might interest your readers. Her name is April Mayenjune, and she's the only TV that ever survived a penile triple by-pass.

Dee Dee

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FROM THE HALCYON SOCIETY

It is with deep sorrow that we announce the death of a dear friend, Jane Sheldon, who passed away this past November after an enduring illness.

For those of us who knew Jane well, we were often astonished by her acceptance of a handicap and of her determination to enjoy every bit of life in spite of it.

We shall miss her dearly.

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PSYCHIATRIC SOCIAL WORKER

Seeks placement for field practive in social work in order to complete final 10 credits for M.S.W. degree. Any human service agency which includes counseling as part of its program is an acceptable setting. Graduate of U.Conn. School of Social Work.

Reply: Janet V. Sanborn, c/o Box 19, Wayland MA 01778

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PERSONAL LISTINGS

How to respond to a Personal Listing: 1.) If the address is given, write directly to that address.
2.) If the address is 'c/o Tiffany', follow these directions exactly: A.) Place your letter in stamped envelope. (No unstamped mail will be forwarded.) B.) Pencil in the name and state of the person to whom the letter is meant. (i.e. 'Merissa Lynn NH'. We need to be able to erase the identifying name and replace it with the forwarding name. Therefore, no letter with the identifying name in ink will be forwarded.) C.) Place that letter inside another envelope and mail to "Tiffany Club, P. O. Box 19, Wayland, MA 01778.

Who may advertise: Only subscribers, and members in good standing of the Tiffany Club may advertise.

Conditions: 1.) Your personal listing will be placed in 'The Tapestry', and will run for the duration of your membership. You may change or withdraw your ad at any time.

2.) Sexually oriented photos or wording will not be accepted, and will result in either the editing or rejection of your listing.

3.) Unless otherwise state, no legal names or addresses will be placed in 'The Tapestry'.

Name (legal and adopted):_____

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Fees: The subscription fee is $30.00 for one year. ($20.00 for all members in good standing of any of the non-profit organizations listed on page 2.)

Send your check or money order (U.S. Funds) to: TIFFANY CLUB, P.O. Box 19, Wayland, MA 01778.

MERISSA SHERRILL LYNN (New Hampshire)
Executive Secretary, Tiffany Club
Editor TV/TS Tapestry
SWM TV 6' 200 40, BA Philosophy, athletically oriented (pro skier 8 years), ACBL life master, enjoy singing, and love the wilderness, flowers, health-happiness-peace of mind.
I'm a very caring person, and prefer to work on behalf of others. I want to meet people who also care about others. If you are a good soul, care about other people and are ready to help, let me know. I want to meet you.
(P.S. Does anybody out there play a good game of bridge?)
Merissa Sherrill Lynn, P.O. Box 19, Wayland MA 01778

VIRGINIA HUNT (E. Massachusetts)
Tiffany Keyholder
Participant Tiffany's Weekend
Pre-op TS, 40, 5'6, 138, attractive and passes well. Enjoys dancing, and long drives. Is a country girl. Would like to correspond with other TSs and interesting people.
Virginia Hunt, c/o Box 19, Wayland MA 01778

SANDRA ST. JOHN (Vermont)
Participant Fantasia Fair, Tiffany's Weekend
SWM Bi-TV, 54, 6'2, not unattractive (if you like tall girls), and pleasant personality.
Enjoy cooking, gardening, sailing, raising sheep, and model railroading.
Occasionally attend Joyce Dewhurst's parties in NY.
John E. Heath, Craftsbury VT 05826

CHRISTINE R. (Quebec)
Member TAMS
MWM TV, 28, 5'4, attractive, passes well. Enjoys high fashion, fine restaurants, going out to relaxing places. Would like to have an escort or a GG to go out with for an evening.
Am particularly interested in good inter-gorup relations with TAMS and Tiffany.
Christine R. (Que) c/o Tiffany

LINDA WHITE (E. Massachusetts)
MWM 5'7 59 look very pretty and feminine when dressed. I have always desired to be a woman and want to meet others with the same desires.
Linda W (E MA) c/o Tiffany

JANET B. (S.E. Massachusetts)
Tiffany General member
Director Halcyon Society
Participant Tiffany's Weekend
SWM TV 29 6' 185 good looking (so I'm told). Not exactly new to the TV scene, but always anxious to meet people and make new understanding friends who enjoy dressing as much as I do.
Janet B. (S.E. MA) c/o Tiffany

SUSAN REYNOLDS (Virginia)
Member Tri-S, GGA
Participant Fantasia Fair, Tiffany's Weekend
Hetero TV 43 5'9" 155 Trim figure, reasonably passable, lady. Photography, TV social life, hunting/fishing.
Susan Reynolds, Box 11160, Alexandria VA 22312

LINDA S (Central Massachusetts)
Tiffany Keyholder
MWM TV, 27, 6', easy going, friendly, attractive, engineering student.
Interested in boating, skiing, and especially interested in meeting other TVs from the Worcester MA area.
Linda S, c/o Box 19, Wayland MA 01778

FRAN V. (New Hampshire)
Member Albany TVIC
WWM hetero TV 61 5'11 145, quiet, tend to be shy. Enjoy music - vocal, travel, letter writing. Seeking companionship of other TV/TS via pen, phone, or in person. Would like several TVs to form very small sorority to have good times together - go to club meetings together, etc.
Fran V (NH) c/o Tiffany

JANICE HEUYLOM (S.E. Massachusetts)
Member Tri-S
Paticipant Fantasia Fair
55 5'6 150, divorced. Enjoys country music, movies and nice restaurants. Wants to meet other TVs to assist her in understanding herself.
Janice H (S.E. MA) c/o Tiffany

KATHY HIVISH (N.E. Pennsylvania)
Director N.E.PA. GGA Chapter, member Tri-S
Information Distribution, N.E. PA.
Participant Poconos Weekend
MWM hetero TV, 31 6'6 265, have been crossdressing for 18 years. Would like to correspond with other TVs to share experiences and photos.
Her spouse, Ann Marie, will be willing to write to spouses of other TVs.
Miss Kathy Hivish, Box 268, Dallas PA 18612

SHEILA KIRK (W. Pennsylvania)
Member Albany TVIC, Paradise Club
Participant Poconos Weekend
SWM TV 48, 6', Dedicated to this wonderful joy of dressing. Attractive - I'll be more so when I lose 20 lbs.
I love music and literature - I work very hard so moments of relaxation and pleasure of this sort are precious to me. I love being a TV and I'm anxious to meet many others who delight in the same feelings.
Sheila Kirk, A-106 - 7801 Lloyd Ave, Pittsburg PA 15218

KHALIL JORDACHE (Virginia)
Female to male TV/TS
I am a writer, with a love of music, traveling and corresponding with other TVs & TSs. Age 23, am anxious to share thoughts & make friends with others.
Cleo Jones, 726 N Main St, Blackstone VA 23824

MALINDA LEE ANDERSON (Wisconsin)
Member Upper Midwest TV Network
33, Bi-TV, wishes to meet gentlemen and competent TVs in the Midwest or Boston area. Have extensive TV experience. Main interests are erotica and the historical/cultural aspects of crossdressing.
R. Peterson, Box 524, Lake Milles WI 53551

JOANNE B. (New Hampshire)
Tiffany Keyholder
Participant Tiffany's Weekend
Hetero TV 50's 5'9 size 14, fun loving, pleasant. Enjoys golf, swimming, travel, bridge. Shy at first but would enjoy having an environment of other TVs around me. Would enjoy meeting other single TVs and TSs.
Joanne B., c/o Box 19, Wayland MA 01778

JANINE BRIDGET D. (Boston, MA.)
SWM TV (possibly TS), 25, 5'8, auburn hair blue eyes, with a good sense of humor.
Enjoy reading SF, chess, photography, microcomputers, fashion, cosmetics.
I'm now to the Boston area and would like to meet & befriend others who share my interest in expressing fully their inner femininity. I am especially interested in meeting a pre-op TS.
Janine D (Boston) c/o Tiffany

JANET VIRGINIA SANBORN (New Hampshire)
TS, 39, 5'10 145, long blond hair with light blonde highlights. Light complexion, blue eyes, attractive, pass easily and live full time as a woman. Enuoy art, music, psychology, skating, skiing, dancing, and cinima. Interested in establishing relationships and correspondence with TV/TS Community.
Janet S (NH) c/o Tiffany

BARBARA D. (Vermont)
Member Tri-S
TV, 47 6' 190 hetero, married. Enjoys movies, dancing, nice restaurants, and just getting out of the closet. Would like to learn more on makeup and more polish on being femme.
Barbara D (VT) c/o Tiffany

EDIE TAYLOR (North Carolina)
Paticipant Fantasia Fair
MWM hetero TV, 58 6'2, pleasant, mature but stylish. Enjoy music and dining out. Love high heels & feminine things.
Will write to all who contact, wish to exchange ideas, problems, etc.
E.D. Taylor, Box 381, Boone NC 28607

WINNIE BRANT (N. New York)
Member Albany TVIC
Participant Fantasia Fair, DREAM
Hetero TV, 52, 6'2, a lady. Have many interest, scientific and culturally oriented. Love to travel.
Mr Winton Brant, Box 741, Schenectady NY 12301

NAOMI O. (Chicago IL)
Member Tri-S, GGA, Crossroads, Paradise Club, Outreach
Participant Fantasia Fair
A friendly, middle-aged professional person. Enjoys photography - travel - art and antique silver. "By nature I am an active person. Thus I belong to and take an active part in many community, professional, charitable and social organizations. I enjoy the good in people, and hope I still have a sense of humor."
Naomi O (IL) c/o Tiffany

MARILYN ANN MURRAY (W. New York)
Member GGA
31 5'8 single. Likes everything feminine, high heels & dresses. Also enjoys tennis, fishing, oil painting. Would like to have TV/TS to help in dressing, or a female, plus makeup and style and mannerisms.
Ms Marilyn Ann Murray, Box 134, Maple Springs NY 14756

JUDY LEIGH S. (N.E. Massachusetts)
Tiffany General member
Married TV, 45, 5'4 pleasant, shy. I enjoy all sports & travel & dance music, plus just having a good time with good friends. I like to get dressed & go for rides to visit other friends.
Judy S., c/o Box 19, Wayland MA 01778

CHARLENE WANDA M. (New Hampshire)
Tiffany General member
TS 32 5'7 140, brunette, blue eyes. Interests include micro-computers, model railroads, sewing, music; indoor type person. Would like to establish friendships and correspondence with the TS Community.
Charlene M, c/o Box 19, Wayland MA 01778

CHERYL A. MCBRIDE (N. New York)
Information Distribution Northern NY
Member Tri-S, Albany TVIC
Married hetero TV 31 5'7 145. People tell me I'm fairly attractive & passable. Enjoy X-C skiing, camping, photography, being a woman, music & dancing, good lively parties. Have finally reached acceptance of myself, & now can enjoy being a woman without guilt. Would like to educate & help others to achieve same goals.
Ms Cheryl A. McBride, Box 6047, Albany NY 12206

JANNA PAGE (Illinois)
Member Tri-S, Shangri La
Participant Fantasia Fair, Shangri La
Somewhat reserved, but friendly TV who is interested in bridge, golf, chess and stamp/coin collecting. Unable to dress as frequently as she would like, but is interested in corresponding with other TVs.
Janna Page, Box 211, Lake Bluff IL 60044

STEPHANIE C. (N.E. Massachusetts)
Tiffany General member
MWM 40 5'10 hetero TV. Very reserved. Just out of the closet and like what I see. Interests include shopping, dining out, 50's music and high high heels. Want to correspond with and meet other TVs with similar interests. Travel NYC, NJ, CT.
Stephanie C., c/o Box 19, Wayland MA 01778

LEE ARSNAL (Maine)
MWM TV 51 175 5'10 who says only her sense of humor allows her to look at herself in the mirror. Enjoys jogging, skiing, hunting, and fishing (and of course soft feminine clothing). Would like to correspond with other girls.
Lee Arsnal, Box 254, Togus ME 04330

DIANA JOYCE HOLMWOOD (Boston MA)
MWM TV-TS 5'8 165 56. Enjoys emulating the best of the female, golf, tennis, travel, motorcycling, gardening. Wants to do so many things (i.e. trying on a dress before buying it, playing golf as a woman, etc), but mostly being accepted for what I am, a woman!
Diana Joyce Holmwood, 145 Corey St, West Roxbury MA 02132 (617)327-0396 (ask for Ron)

DAWN L. (NYC, NY)
Participant Fantasia Fair
DWM hetero TV, 6'3. Enjoy jazz, running, sailing, hiking and fashion. Interested in meeting other TVs.
Dawn L (NYC) c/o Tiffany

BOBBIE GARNER (Southern CA.)
Member GGA, Albany TVIC
5'5 145 27 submissive TV
B. Garner, 3043 Grandview Bvl, Los Angeles CA 90066 (213)398-6600

KAREN V. (Eastern Massachusetts)
Tiffany General member
SWM Hetero TV 36 5'8 155, good personality, but quiet. Enjoys music (classical & jazz), karate, bridge. Very honest, and interested in sharing my TV experience with others.
Karen V, c/o Box 19, Wayland MA 01778

BARBARA B. (Long Island, NY)
Member GGA
Participant Tiffany's Weekend
MWM TV, 41, 5'10, slim, pleasant, discreet, passible (I'm told). Enjoy fashion, all kinds of music, dancing, parties, penpals, and especially enjoy learning to be more feminine.
Would enjoy writing to and meeting other sensible sisters.
Barbara B. (LI NY) c/o Tiffany

LAURA LYONNS (Quebec)
Member TAMS
Eventual TS, 27, 5'8 140, attractive and passes quite well. My interests include film & television, female impersonation shows, fashion, dance and further development of my TV/TS social life. I would like to correspond and meet with other TSs in order to get to know others similar to myself. I would also be willing to correspond and meet with attractive TVs who have no problem with passing in public.
Laura Lyonns, c/o TAMS, Box 1164 Station H, Montreal Que. H3G-2N1

BARBARA SHERWOOD (Delaware)
Member Tri-S, GGA
MWM TV, 40's 6'1 155, somewhat shy, pleasant personality. Enjoys high fashion, cooking, reading, bridge, gardening, history. Love high heels, jewelry especially. "Becoming a woman, even for an evening, changes my outlook completely. I want to correspond with others (meet those in my area), who enjoy girl talk and general good times."
Barbara Sherwood, Box 315, Milford DE 19963

KIM SCHREIBER (Boulder CO.)
Information distribution for Inter-mountain area
Participant DREAM, Tiffany's Holiday Weekend
Blond, blue eyes, 39 5'11 155, lifetime TV, attractive, pleasant, well-educated. Enjoys skiing, most outdoor activities. Also, interested in organizing TV activities in Denver-Boulder area. Would also be interested in organizing a 3-day event in Colorado.
Kim Schrieber, Box 3062, Boulder CO 80306

NANCY SCHREIBER (Boulder CO)
Co-director Mountain Rose Society
Participant Tiffany's Weekend
Female (spouse of Kim S.), attractive, pleasant, understanding. Interested in working with Kim to organize TV functions in Colorado. Am especially interested in contacting wives and fiances of TVs. Have been active, and am comfortable with the crossdressing scene. Will answer all.
Nancy Schreiber, Box 3062, Boulder CO 80306

ALICE M (Western NY)
50's 5'5 160, receeding hair, blue eyes. Enjoys music and sports. "Assist me in becoming a TV that can pass, and to find out where a TV can enjoy being one without any problems."
Occupant, Box 13792 Dewey Sta., Rochester NY 14613

JOHN H. (Philadelphia PA)
WM, hetero/slightly bi, 50, 5'9 150. Interested in social times, meeting people, dining, dancing, swimming, Cape Cod summers. Do not dress but like to act the male role when with the TV/TS set.
John H (PA) c/o Tiffany

JUDY TOMANN (Athens, Greece)
TV, 42, 5'8 157, Bi. Enjoy everything feminine, especially walking in high heels. Am athletic, love to dance. Enjoy chess, sailing, camping, physical life, photography. I would like to exchange letters and photos with other TVs. Will answer all!!
Judy T (Overseas) c/o Tiffany

JOSEPHINE LOPEZ (New Orleans LA)
TV, 35, and I love to crossdress. Have been for the past 25 years. I'm friendly, sensitive and most of my friends are TV or TS.
Josephine Lopez, Box 51214, New Orleans LA 70151
(504)833-5715

MICHELLE WEST (Washington DC)
Member GGA, Outreach
Participant Tiffany's Weekend, Fantasia Fair
SWM Hetero TV. Interests include flying, skiing, and bluegrass music. Loves to meet other TVs.
Michelle West, Box 9301 Mid-city Station, Washington D.C. 20005

KAREN KLAUS (Wisconsin)
Member GGA
SWM 56 TV 6'2, gentle and soft spoken. Has sense of humor and is interested in people. Enjoys theater, jazz, travel, ACBL bridge, fishing, reading and poetry. "I am interested in meeting, forming friendships with and sharing with those who share membership in Tiffany.
Karen K (WI) c/o Tiffany

MARCI DESCHAMPS (Boston MA)
WM Hetero TV, 6'4 34, blond, into technological things. Enjoys bicycling, anything outdoors. "I have many interests and feel crossdressing allows me to express a part of me that is special. I would enjoy going out in public dressed with someone; I do so on my own now."
Marci Deschamps (MA) c/o Tiffany

PRISCILLA ANNE GREENE (Northern NY)
Member Albany TVIC
Participant Fantasia Fair
Awarded 'Miss Cinderella' '82
MWM 41 5'6 size 12, quiet, friendly & active. Enjoys cooking, antiques, archaeology, outdoor life, making maple syrup, shopping, eating out & feminine things. I love to dance, go out and I prefer the feminine side of my personality.
Will eventually respond to all correspondence.
Priscilla Anne Greene (NY) c/o Tiffany

CHRIS F (Nevada)
Attractive SWM TV, 30's 6' 170. Very easy going. Enjoy most everything - sailing, skiing, high fashion, sewing. I am very versitile with a wide span of interests. I do travel, and get to the Boston area.
Chris F (NV) c/o Tiffany

ELAINE WILLEY (Michigan)
Information Distribution Upper Midwest
Member Tri-S, Albany TVIC, Crossroads, Paradise Club. Involved in the leadership of the latter two groups.
Participant Fantasia Fair
Awarded F/F 'Miss Femininity'
Hetero TV (possibly TG), 47, single. Interested in classical music (especially opera), Hi-Fi, fashion, psychology, and philosophy. "I do not seek extensive personal correspondence, but will answer requests for information and will meet with people in my area who wish to attend meetings."
Elaine Willey, c/o Crossroads Chapter, Box 3013, Flint MI 48502

HALEY TIRESIUS (Florida)
Member GGA
Participant Fantasia Fair
TS-ordinary. Interested in outdoor activities, canoeing, art. Professional writer and artist. Willing to advise on magazine and adult entertainment publications for those with questions.
Tiresius Productions Ltd, Box 23492, Tampa FL 33623

BOBBIE W. (New Hampshire)
Tiffany General member
SWM human being. 27, 130 5'9, attractive. Enjoy high fashion, soft rock, computers, and would like to meet other TVs or TSs around my age in the NH-E. MA. area.
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SWM TV, 35, 6', 175, blue eyes, brown hair, professional. Enjoy good soft music, sports, conversation. Love to dress in nylons. Never without them under my business suit. I want very much to come out of the closet.
Jackie Graham (MA) c/o Tiffany

DENISE R. (Eastern MA.)
Tiffany General member
MWM hetero TV, 5'11 206. Enjoy running, expensive feminine underwear, meeting other TVs.
Denise R., c/o Box 19, Wayland MA 01778

JOAN V. (Boston MA.)
MWM Bi-TV 45 6'2, white hair. Would like to get to dress more. Need help in fashions and makeup. Would like to meet people in the Boston area or in the lower Cape.
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AUDREY M. (Central MA.)
Secretary, Mayflower Society
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SWM hetero TV, 40, 6'. Interests range from American history to the causes of transgenderism. Also enjoy cooking, travel and outdoor pursuits, photography, and the feminine gender role.
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SWM, 32, 5'6 135. Somewhat shy and inhibited but friendly. Enjoy music, record collecting, bowling and cooking. Am a novice crossdresser and would like to have a female or TV/TS help me in learning more about dressing, makeup, posture, etc.
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MWM TV, 46, 5'11. Recently out of the closet. Hope to make social contacts in the TV Community.
Helen T, c/o Box 19, Wayland Ma 01778

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